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My White Folks

By T. L. HOLCOMB,

Executive Secretary
Baptist Sunday School Board

Back in 1930, I had this experience: I remarked to a very fine Negro—"Uncle George, what are you going to do if this terrible depression continues?" He replied, "Reverend, I have been thinking and I have been praying. You know I always remember that the good Lord—with an understanding twinkle in his eye—"and my white folks never have failed me yet." Then, as if he were thinking aloud, "the road has been awful rough sometimes and the way mighty dim, but Lord, you guided my feet and George kept going on."

The basic economy in the South for generations has been conducted on Uncle George's philosophy. It may have failed in some cases but on the whole it has succeeded. There has never been

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Five Southern Baptists Named On BWA Committee

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(BP)—Five Southern Baptists are included in the Baptist World Alliance Administrative Committee, according to information released here this week by Dr. Arnold T. Ohrn, executive secretary. The appointments are as follows:

Southern Baptists: Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, Ga.; George B. Fraser, Washington, D. C.; Theodore F. Adams, Richmond, Va.; Mrs. George R. Martin, Norfolk, Va.; and Duke K. McCall, Nashville, Tenn.

Members from churches affiliated with both Southern and American (Northern) Conventions: C. Oscar Johnson, St. Louis, Mo., and Edward H. Pruden, Washington, D. C.

Other members: W. H. Jernagin, Washington, D. C.; J. B. McLaurin, Toronto, Canada; and Reuben E. Nelson, New York City.

The term will be for the ensuing year. The Administrative Committee is an advisory body selected from the Executive Committee. Members must live within reasonable distance of Washington, D. C.

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Dr. Wyatt Hunter, pastor of the First Church, McComb; will be the speaker on the Mississippi Radio Hour August 20. The theme for the month is: "Jesus Christ, Our All in All." His subject Sunday will be: "Christ, Our Way."

Dr. Hunter will be heard over the following stations: at 8 a. m. over WHQB, Memphis; WQBC, Jackson; WRJW, Picayune; at 2 p. m. over WSLI, Jackson, and at 9 a. m. over WLOX, Biloxi and WROB, West Point.

"Pray Ye" For World Events Says Dr. Lee

BY R. G. LEE

Jesus, speaking to the people of his day, said: "Men ought always to pray, and not to faint" (Luke 8:1).

Now, because of the speed with which events of serious significance are happening in the world, I would say to all the pastors of all the churches of our Southern Baptist Convention: "PRAY ye!"

Knowing that unless Russia is checked in Korea in the Communistic endeavor to take over the country, it will be a difficult matter to halt her anywhere, humbly I say: "PRAY ye!"

Judging from the signs that Armageddon is just around the corner and that ere long big cities of the nations may fall in ruins, penitently I say: "PRAY ye!"

Acknowledging that as the restraining force of Christian teaching declines, the world moves toward a condition of moral chaos, insistently I say: "PRAY ye!"

Since we see how Science has led this world to the edge of doom and we are in danger of international suicide, (Continued on Page Two)

Cooperative Program Money Now Goes To Capital Needs

Bob Denny Is BWA Youth Council Head

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Robert S. Denny, associate in the department of student work in the Baptist Sunday School Board, was elected chairman of the new youth committee of the Baptist World Alliances at its first session in Cleveland. Mr. Denny succeeds Dr. T. G. Dunning of London, England, who became the first chairman of the youth committee when it was established at the third Alliance meeting in Stockholm, Sweden, in 1923.

As chairman of this committee, Mr. Denny will work with Alliance Youth Secretary Joel Sorenson, and twenty-eight other committeemen representing eighteen countries of the world and every area in which Baptist youth work is projected. This committee—enlarged from fifteen to 35 by a new constitution adopted in Cleveland—is responsible to the Baptist World Alliance to further its work in so far as it affects young people.

Budget Exceeds \$4 Million

NASHVILLE, Tenn.—(BP)—Southern Baptists moved into the capital needs section of their \$10 million budget exactly thirty days earlier in 1950 than in 1949 according to Dr. Duke K. McCall, treasurer, Southern Baptist Convention.

On July 25, the budget passed \$4 million, current needs budget, which means that all money received by the various agencies and institutions from now to January 1, must be allocated to permanent mission gains.

Receipts for the first seven months for the Co-operative Program totaled \$4,185,103 as compared to \$3,730,700 for the same period last year. This is a gain of \$454,403 or 12.18 per cent.

Gifts to designated objects were up 1.43 per cent or \$39,702, to make the 1950 total \$2,821,717.

Total gifts were up 7.59 per cent to make the 1950 total \$7,006,821.87, as compared with \$6,512,716 in 1949.

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WARNING REGARDING RUSSIAN BIBLE SOCIETY

By WENDELL G. DAVIS, Pastor
Western Avenue Church,
Statesville, N. C.

On about June 13 of this year there appeared in my study a Mr. Kerechun, representing the Russian Bible Society. He asked the privilege of telling our people about his work and taking an offering. After discussing the matter with some of our people, we agreed to give him the privilege of speaking to our Wednesday evening congregation.

When I made the announcement that Mr. Kerechun was to appear, one of our members called attention to an item in the March 1 issue of the BIBLICAL RECORDER (N. C.) raising some question about this organization. Checking with the North Carolina Board of Public Welfare, which is responsible for issuing license for public solicitations in this state, we found that this organization had no such license.

When Mr. Kerechun came for his engagement, we called his attention to the item in the RECORDER and also asked him about the solicitation license. He told me that the item in the RECORDER had been corrected in a later issue and that his organization had made application for the state solicitation license.

After Mr. Kerechun had left our church with an offering for his work, we made further investigation. I have a telegram from the commissioner of the North Carolina Board of Public Welfare, dated June 26, saying that The Russian Bible Society had at that time made no application for a state solicitation license.

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Takes First Plane Ride At Ninety-Seven Missionary Makes Trip By Air, Ambulance



Shown above is Dr. J. G. Chastain, as he alighted from a plane at Atlanta, enroute to Ridgecrest for the Foreign Mission Week program. On the left is his son, Dr. F. J. Chastain, pastor of the First Church, Poplarville, and on the right is the hostess on the plane.

"I am not ready for a wheel chair YET", said Dr. J. G. Chastain, ninety-seven year old missionary-emeritus, when offered the use of one while attending the Foreign Mission Conference at Ridgecrest, N. C.

When reminded that the late Pres-

ident Roosevelt used a wheel chair and was four times elected to the Presidency while so doing, Dr. Chastain replied, "Well, when I decide to run for President, I will use one."

Dr. Chastain is the oldest person con-

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Takes First Plane Ride

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nected with Southern Baptist foreign missions. Along with more than 100 other missionaries, active and retired, he was invited by the SBC Foreign Mission Board to go to Ridgecrest. To the surprise of all but himself, he accepted.

Dr. Chastain was not sure he could survive a train or automobile trip from South Mississippi to Ridgecrest. He now lives with his son, Dr. F. Judson Chastain, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Poplarville.

A plane trip was the only other way to come. Never having travelled by air, the aged missionary was fearful. But having given most of his ninety-seven years to missionary endeavor, he stoically said, "I'll try it. If the plane wrecks or I fail to survive the trip you can know I am doing it for missions."

But Poplarville is 100 miles from New Orleans, the nearest passenger airport. How to get there? His preacher son solved that one. He provided an ambulance from Poplarville to New Orleans. Another ambulance was waiting when the plane arrived at Asheville.

Dr. Chastain went to Mexico as a missionary in 1888 at the age of 34. On his way to Saltillo, Mexico, he was requested by his mission board to meet two young lady missionaries from Virginia, to serve as their escort, an early American custom, long outmoded and obsolete. He met them in New Orleans BUT in less than three weeks he had persuaded one, Miss Lillian Wright, to become his bride.

Altogether he spent thirty years as a missionary in Mexico, reaching remote villages on foot, muleback and by train, which are a contrast with his present mode of travel to Ridgecrest.

He returned to the United States, not because of age, but because of the Mexican Revolution of 1917.

But a mere revolution could not stop a man who had dedicated his life to missions. It could only change his location. Upon returning to the United States, he was soon employed by the Home Mission Board to edit a Spanish language Baptist paper in Cuba. Three years later the board asked him to serve as a missionary to the Spanish speaking people in Tampa, Florida. After seven years in Tampa, at the age of 74, he retired.

But, according to Dr. Chastain, when missions gets in your blood you can't get it out. So he has just kept on being a missionary without salary.

While living with his son at Leland, Mississippi, he found a golden missionary opportunity. Every fall thousands of Mexican laborers come to that section to pick cotton. Knowing

Warning Regarding Russian

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tion license.

I also have a letter from Dr. L. L. Carpenter, editor of the BIBLICAL RECORDER, saying that the item in the March 1 issue of the RECORDER was not corrected.

I have written other sources about this society. Dr. Louie Newton's name was used by Mr. Kerechun. Dr. Newton says that after careful investigation, including the opinion of the American Bible Society, his church declined to co-operate with the Russian Bible Society. Dr. J. M. Dawson, executive director of the Baptist Joint Committee on Public Affairs, says, "The Russian Bible Society affords us considerable embarrassment since it is not recognized by any of our Baptist Conventions or agencies and has been disavowed by the American Bible Society."

Since these facts lead us to doubt this organization and cause us to wonder if the funds are really being used for the furtherance of the gospel, either in Russia or anywhere else, and since our churches have plenty of worthy causes to support, I am hoping that others will take this word of caution and profit by my experience. The American Bible Society is doing a good work and is worthy of the support of any church that wants to help put the Word of God in the hands of others.

their language and customs and having spent 30 years in their land, the venerable missionary was able to preach to more Mexicans in the Mississippi Delta than he had when on full-time duty in Mexico.

Later his preacher son moved to another section of Mississippi. Cotton was not so plentiful and no Mexican pickers came.

But eighty-year-old missionaries do not want to quit and they rarely do. Learning that there were many Mexicans and other Spanish-speaking people in New Orleans, a mere 275 miles away, Dr. Chastain made frequent trips there. Coliseum Place Baptist Church offered the use of its basement. A mission was organized. At expense only to himself, Dr. Chastain made regular trips to New Orleans to preach to the Spanish-speaking people.

Today that mission is a self-supporting, well-organized Baptist church.

Early in the 1900's Dr. Chastain was awarded the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity.

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ANY CHURCH IN NEED OF AN educational director should contact the editor of the Baptist Record. He has the name of a young lady who has had fifteen months experience as a church secretary and is a graduate of Blue Mountain College.



Church Music Magazine Comes From The Press

By HINES SIMS

There is a distinct need for a magazine devoted to church music and musicians.

The writer is constantly asked many questions dealing with local church music program and special music for the choirs. There are questions on worship, graded choirs, organizing the music programs, choral techniques, piano and organ accompaniments, congregational singing, choir balance and training, procurement of special music, et cetera. Church leaders search constantly for the answers.

To meet this great need the Sunday School Board is announcing the publication of a new monthly church music magazine beginning with the October 1950 issue, to be called THE CHURCH MUSICIAN. It will be edited by B. B. McKinney and W. Hines Sims.

THE CHURCH MUSICIAN will serve a dual purpose. Each issue will carry feature articles on many phases of church music and also enough special choir music for a month. Thus the musicians of the church will be able to keep abreast of the times musically, be completely informed as to programs, procedures, techniques, methods, materials, a multitude of interesting articles on various subjects, and have in addition enough special music for a month.

THE CHURCH MUSICIAN will be so arranged that the music section may be easily removed, cataloged, and filed in the music library for future use. Each will have the valuable musical information and a copy of the special music. The magazine may be ordered special or may be ordered on the regular literature form.

The success of the Sunday school and Training Union programs can be attributed largely to a unified effort of magazine promotion, information, plans, programs, courses of study and work presented in the state papers. It is hoped that THE CHURCH MUSICIAN will do for the church music program what the other fine publications have done for the religious education programs.

Sample copies may be secured now by writing the Baptist Sunday school Board.

"Pray Ye" For World

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pleadingly I say: "PRAY ye!"

Since God has promised to be ally of the righteous and a foe to our foe, seriously I say: "PRAY ye!"

Recently a speaker at the Baptist Assembly in England summed up the world situation as far as religion goes, in these words: "The world is going into a paganism more hopeless and absolute than any of the whole heathen faith which we sent our missionaries out to conquer. With apostasy from the truth a reversal to conditions such as obtained in Sodom before God destroyed it with fire."

Thinking of the Soviet Union with anti-God and anti-peace purposes, showing a determination to bring about world revolution and the Marxist way of life, I would, with vows of consecration, say: "PRAY ye!"

Remembering that our nation can go the way of ancient Rome, which was not conquered by foes without but collapse within, I say: "PRAY ye!"

Knowing that because of what is spoken in the secret place of prayer, God himself descends and fights for us, responding to our insistent pleas, I say to myself and to you: "Pray—and faint not!"

I am asking, please, that all of our churches set aside some day of prayer among us. Let there be prayer at sunup, noonday, sundown, midnight—all through the day. Let every Sunday School class, every Missionary circle, every W. M. U. organization, every Baptist Brotherhood, the choir, and all deacons observe a day of prayer real soon.

Let prayer be our portion, our passion, our practice, because "Christ's soldiers fight best on their knees." Let us be found at the Throne of Grace, not only with Holy boldness, but with supreme confidence—knowing that God is faithful to perform that which he has promised, and that God is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that in us worketh.

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My White Folks

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an understanding between two races living in the same communities that produced finer results or richer fellowship.

Time marches on! My appeal is that this understanding mutual helpfulness be lifted and applied to our spiritual and cultural tasks.

My specific appeal is this: If white pastors and churches would find some capable young Negro ministers and make it possible for them to attend the American Baptist Theological Seminary, owned jointly by the Southern Baptist Convention and the National Baptist Convention, Incorporated, we would have a sympathetic understanding between the God-called leaders of both races as we face the problems of the unfolding years.

I understand that board, room rent, and fees for the entire school year are approximately \$300.00. The fall term of the Seminary opens September 21, write at once to:

DR. L. S. SEBERRY
Secretary-Treasurer
Southern Baptist Commission
1800 White's Creek Pike
Nashville, Tennessee



Secured An Evangelist Yet?

CHESTER L. QUARLES
Executive Secretary

Many pastors have requested a list of names of preachers who might be available as evangelists in our Mississippi churches during the 1951 Crusade east of the Mississippi River. Here are a few suggestions. They are all preaching in Louisiana. These are not all that are available from that great state. Others will be listed later.

We suggest that you secure your evangelist as soon as possible. Many churches have already done so. The dates for the Crusade are March 25-April 8, 1951.

The list follows:

Rev. Stanley E. Wilkes, Broadmoor Church, Shreveport; Rev. H. G. Buchanan, Calvary Church, Shreveport; Dr. R. O. Cawker, Highland Church, Shreveport; Rev. T. C. Pennell, Ingle-side Church, Shreveport; Rev. Winston Borum, Kelly Memorial Church, Shreveport; Rev. Ira Peak, Queensborough Church, Shreveport; Rev. E. Butler Abington, Trinity Church, Lake Charles; Rev. C. S. Cadwallader, Sr., Fellowship Church, Dubach; Rev. Raymond Collier, West Winnsboro Church, Winnsboro; Dr. G. A. Ritchey, First Church, Mansfield; Dr. J. Norris Palmer, First Church, Baton Rouge; Dr. T. D. Sumrall, Emmanuel Church, Baton Rouge; Rev. S. C. Rushing, Istrouma Church, Baton Rouge; Rev. J. C. Clements, First Church, Bunkie; Dr. J. D. Grey, First Church, New Orleans; Dr. R. Houston Smith, First Church, Pineville; Rev. James T. Horton, First Church, Monroe; Rev. A. T. Mitchell, Ridge Avenue Church, West Monroe; Rev. Jaroy Weber, First Church, West Monroe; Rev. S. G. Rogers, Pilgrim's Rest Church, Eunice; Rev. Guy D. Newton, Rayne Church, Rayne; Rev. L. A. Stagg, Jr., First Church, Houma; Rev. Lawrence Thibodeaux, Thibodaux; Rev. Pat

Lane, Greensburg Church, Greensburg; Rev. J. D. Cheatham, First Church, Oak Grove; Rev. W. W. Fordham, New Zion Church, Oak Grove; Rev. C. W. Williams, First Church, De-Ridder; Dr. W. L. Sewell, First Church, Bossier City; Rev. Lavelle Kennedy, Morningside Church, Shreveport; Rev. E. N. Weaver, Elton Church, Elton; Rev. T. V. Owens, Soutside Church, Lake Charles; Rev. A. D. Becton, West-lake Church, Westlake; Rev. R. B. Middle-ton, First Church, Bernice; Rev. Stafford Hebert, Calvary Church, Lake Charles; Rev. W. E. Hellen, DeQuincy; Rev. L. B. Hall, Farmerville Church, Farmerville; Rev. H. G. Hammons, First Church, Wisner; Rev. H. L. Driskell, Rt. 3, Rayville; Rev. Ben Joyner, Mt. Olive Church, Longansport; Rev. D. Lewis White, Denham Springs; Rev. John S. Hurt, First Church, Jonesboro; Rev. W. B. Huntsberry, Baker Church, Baker; Rev. M. C. Irwin, North Highlands Church, Baton Rouge; Rev. D. E. Coyle, Trinity Church, Rt. 4, Baton Rouge; Rev. J. P. Owens, First Church, Jena; Rev. F. W. Hart, First Church, Tullos; Rev. W. T. Holland, First Church, Haynesville; Rev. Huey Latham, Lone Cherry Church, Mangham; Rev. H. T. Sullivan, First Church, Oakdale; Rev. H. A. Hunderup, Jr., Franklin Ave. Ch., 2515 Franklin Ave. New Orleans; Rev. E. V. Appling, Metairie Church, 239 Aurora St., New Orleans; Rev. W. H. Sims, 112 Boulevard, Shreveport; Rev. S. P. Smith, First Church, Oil City; Rev. J. O. McNair, Jonesville; Rev. C. S. Cadwallader, Jr., College Place Ch., 4208 DeSiard St., Monroe; Rev. O. P. Bazer, Fairbanks Church, Fairbanks; Rev. Filer Seal, Trinity Church, West Monroe; Rev. Shirley Briggs, First Church, Tallulah; Rev. E. E. Fields, Converse; Rev. Jerry Schmucker, Converse Church, Converse; Rev. A. O. Youngblood, First Church, Many; Rev. Howard L. Courtney, Calvary Church, Bogalusa and Rev. E. D. Brown, New Sarepta Church, Sarepta.

First Church, Vicksburg, Celebrates Eleventh Anniversary of Pastor; Presents Deep Freeze

At the close of the evening worship service at the First Church, Vicksburg, August 6, a reception was given the Pastor, Dr. D. Swan Haworth, and his family honoring them on their eleventh anniversary in the pastorate here. Dr. Haworth came to this church the first Sunday in August in 1939 and has led in a marvelous way in the work of the church, as well as civic activities.

The dining room of the church was decorated with flowers furnished and arranged by Mrs. Norman Bobbs and Mrs. Oscar Branan. Refreshments were served by Mrs. J. W. Jordan, Jr. and Mrs. John Barnett, and a beautiful, tiered cake was presented to the Pastor and his family. Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Knapp were in charge of planning the reception.

P. E. Cunningham, chairman of the Deacons, addressed Dr. Haworth and those present at the reception. On behalf of the entire membership he expressed thanks to the pastor for his outstanding leadership, and presented a deep freeze to the Pastor and his family as an expression of love from the members of the church. Dr. Haworth responded with words of gratitude.

SOME PARTS OF THE HOLY BIBLE are now available in 1,118 languages, and the entire Bible has been translated into 190 languages, the complete New Testament into 245.



DR. D. SWAN HAWORTH

County Line Revival Adds 21

County Line Church in Jones County recently closed its annual revival in which Rev. Troy Sumrall of Emmanuel Church, Hattiesburg, did the preaching. Rev. J. W. Dubose is the pastor.

A week of prayer preceded the meeting. There were 21 additions to the church, 17 by baptism.

ARIZONA IS MAKING PLANS TO resume a 70-80 distribution for south-wide causes in 1951. They had adopted a 90-100 percentage for 1950.

Joins N. O. Seminary Staff



JOHN K. DURST

John K. Durst, associate pastor of the First Church, Richmond, Virginia, has accepted the position of Assistant Professor of Religious Education in the New Orleans Seminary, announces President Roland Q. Leavell. He will be associated with Dr. John M. Price, Jr., head of the department.

Mr. Durst is a native of South Carolina, a graduate of Clemson College and of Southwestern Seminary. He has served as assistant pastor and educational director in the South Main Church, Houston, Texas, and the Second Ponce de Leon Church, Atlanta, Georgia.

CALVARY BIBLE SCHOOL POUNDS PASTOR NAZARY

Calvary church, Amite County, recently completed a Vacation Bible School in which 93 were enrolled. Mrs. J. D. Nazary served as principal; Mrs. Earl Williams, pianist and secretary.

Superintendents of the departments were: Rev. J. D. Nazary, pastor, Mrs. Earl Wicker, Mrs. P. E. Reardon, Mrs. Eula Wells, Mrs. Ras Young, Mrs. Webb Nettles, Mrs. Ned Wroten, Mrs. T. J. Wicker, Mrs. Wallace Wheat and Mrs. Charlie Westbrook.

Mrs. Alton Young, Mrs. Leon Wroten and Mrs. Hayman Steele served refreshments each day with all enjoying picnic lunch on Friday.

Mr. Leon Wroten and Mr. Basil Wicker assisted the boys in their handwork.

Following the commencement exercises on Aug. 4, Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Nazary, pastor and wife, were presented with a surprise pounding, sponsored by those attending the school, this being done to show the appreciation of their work in the school.

The offering will go to the Co-operative Program.

Mayersville Revival Adds 8; Holds VBS

Mayersville church in Deer Creek Association held a Vacation Bible School and a revival simultaneously in July. Rev. James Fancher, Louisville, did the preaching and the pastor, Rev. James Lawrence, led the singing. There were eight additions to the church, five on profession of faith.

Sixty-two were enrolled in Vacation Bible School. Miss Joyce McShan was pianist in the Bible School and revival.

Other workers in the Vacation Bible School were: Pastor Lawrence, Principal; Miss Lola Jean Weaver, Mrs. James Lawrence, Miss Alice Triplet, Mr. L. M. Mae Sprodden, and Rev. James Fancher.

Baptist Hospital Staff Commended

Mrs. Hattie Brown died recently in Jackson. She was the mother of Mrs. Edward L. Byrd, whose husband has served as pastor of the Highland Church Meridian until recently when he went to Florence, South Carolina.

Prior to her passing Mrs. Brown was at the Baptist Hospital for several days. The members of the family who attended her testify that she had every possible attention. The Rev. Mr. Byrd writes: "From the administrative staff of the hospital to the nurses on the floor and the nurses aids, every consideration was given in ministering to her need. The doctors on the staff who were called in were most co-operative in their attention to her. Such a condition as that is a great help to people in a time of deep concern."

It is refreshing to hear such kind words, when the kind things are usually left unexpressed and unheard by the people.

AMITY-SPARTA REVIVAL ADDS 19; VBS ENROLLS 80

Amity-Sparta Church in Chickasaw County held its annual revival July 30-August 4. The pastor, Rev. W. H. Haynes, of Oakland, did the preaching, and Rev. Carroll Freeman led the singing. Miss Welcome Cowart served as pianist. All three team-members are Mississippi College students.

Group prayer meetings were held for adults each evening prior to the worship service. There were 19 additions, 16 for baptism, and many rededications.

Earlier in July 80 pupils enrolled in a Vacation Bible School. An offering of \$50 was designated for the new annex building fund; the annex is under construction.

Workers in the VBS were: Miss Loreas Easton, principal; Mrs. Gay Lantrip, Mrs. R. L. Kilgore, Mrs. Bille Clark, Mrs. Gene Murray, Mrs. Earl Huffman, Mrs. Ishmael L. Vaughn, and Mrs. W. D. Woodruff.

Value Organizes BTU With 50 Members

Value church organized a full Training Union with more than 50 enrolled on August 6. This is the third training Union to be organized in Rankin county in 1950. Others are: Mt. Pisgah, Harold Jordan, pastor and Concord, Rev. R. E. MacDonald, pastor.

Mrs. L. N. Lackey is the General Director of the Value Union and Mrs. Warren Haynes is General Secretary. The organization is the outgrowth of a Study Course, held recently. Rev. L. W. Stanger is both pastor of the Value church and the Associational Director of the Rankin county Union.

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Warning

This warning comes to us from
the Baptist Sunday School Board:

BEWARE: A certain song book
racket has been revived. Beware
of a man or woman posing as a
representative of the Broadman
Press, promising free song books
to the church, and suddenly dis-
appearing with the money col-
lected from local advertisers. De-
mand identification!

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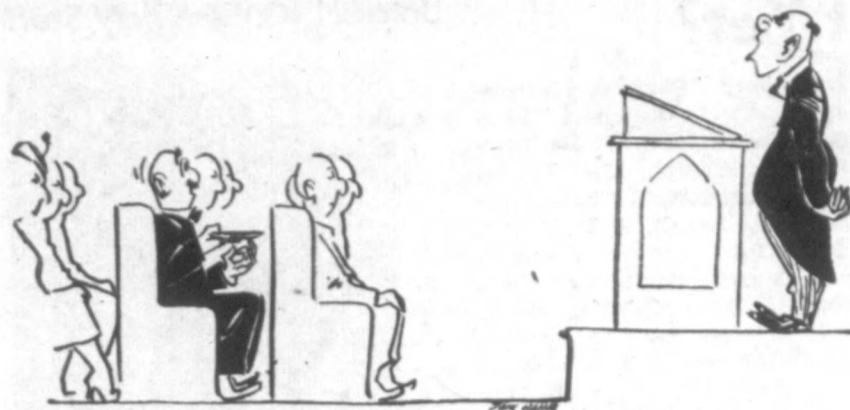
Several churches have already
sent in additional names to be
added to their every family list.
Most of these are people who have
joined during summer revival
meetings. We appreciate the fact
that the pastors and church clerks
have enough interest to send in
these additional names immedi-
ately.

A few days ago we were talk-
ing with a former Mississippi pas-
tor and he told us that during his
pastorate every Monday morning
he sent in the names of those who
had joined the Sunday before.

Certainly every pastor wants to
line up his new members with the
activities of the church. We know
of no better plan than to get the
Baptist Record going to them im-
mediately.

Many of these new members
probably have never read the Bap-
tist Record. Many of them are not
familiar with the program of Mis-
sissippi Baptists, or the program
of Southern Baptists. Perhaps
some of them have read little or
no religious literature. The only
way these new members can be-
come informed about our denomi-
national program, both state and
southwide is by reading the Bap-
tist Record.

We urge every pastor and



"Will Brother Blotz kindly refrain from thumping the bottom
of the collection plate so that it SOUNDS like he's
putting something in!"

church clerk to send in the names
of those who have recently joined
so that they may begin to get the
Baptist Record and learn what
Baptists are doing at home and
abroad.

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An Impossible Plan

We quote the following from
Religious News Service:

PORTLAND, Me.—The congre-
gation of Woodfords Congrega-
tional church here will combine a
fun-loving New Year's Eve ob-
servance with a service of rededi-
cation.

The affair will start off with a
dinner for family groups. Then
for the teen-age and college crowd
an 11-piece dance orchestra will
play in the church gymnasium.

For the older people rooms will
be set aside for bridge, canasta and
other party games.

Promptly at 11:30 p. m., the rev-
elers will cease their fun and cross
the street to the church sanctuary
for a service of Holy Communion
to be conducted by the pastor, Dr.
Frederick H. Thompson.

We think this is an impossible
mixture. We do not believe that
you can mix rededication with a
dance and other worldly amuse-
ments as indicated in the above
news dispatch.

If the revelers spend the night
until 11:30 engaging in the things
mentioned in the above article, we
doubt if they take Holy Commu-
nion as indicated. They may sip
some wine and eat some bread but
it will not be the Lord's Supper or
Holy Communion as it is called
in the News Dispatch.

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What Is Required For Conviction

We quote below a news article
from Meridian. We make no com-
ment. The article speaks for itself.
But, unless there was more evi-
dence than was indicated in the
article, we could be put in jail for
what we think. The article follows:

Meridian—A 12 man jury
that took only 12 minutes to
conclude its deliberations in
Chancery Court here Tuesday

returned a verdict for the de-
fense in injunction proceed-
ings against Preston Sharpson
and Cincent Rini trading as
Club Chalfon.

Complaint for the state was
brought by Billy Neville, Nate
S. Williamson and County At-
torney Will Clayton, while the
defendants were represented
by Martin V. B. Miller and
Gerald Adams.

Two witnesses, as the hear-
ings opened Monday, testified
they purchased a pint of Old
Charter liquor at the estab-
lishment on the night of Jan.
28, 1948.

Witnesses testifying that
they made the liquor pur-
chase were Earl Mosley and
D. W. Smith of Meridian.
Mosley said he bought the
whiskey from a crippled ne-
gro, paying \$4.50 for it and
that he saw the cash "rung
up" in the firm's cash regis-
ter. His testimony was sub-
stantiated by Smith who told
the court he was present at
the time of the transaction.

Marx Bunyard, another key
witness in the hearing, de-
clared that after the purchase
was consummated, Mosley
and Smith turned over the
liquor to him and that he
marked it for evidence.

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Convention Comment

The 1950 session of the South-
ern Baptist Convention, the 93rd
in its 105 years of history, is a
thing of the past.

Geographically, it marked the
first invasion of the North for a
meeting place and the first to
meet in so large a city—the na-
tion's second largest and the
world's fourth largest.

It definitely lacked the spiritual
boost one expects from attending
its sessions. The consensus of the
messengers admitted as much
although when it came to looking
after Convention business it was
a harmonious session.

Many factors entered the defici-
ency for inspiration. Chief was the
terrible auditorium which set a

new low in accommodations.

The Coliseum was not built for
conventions. The loudspeaker had
a metallic ring that reminded one
of New York's Grand Central Sta-
tion except that the train dis-
patcher there can be understood.
You can't get inspiration by mere-
ly looking at a speaker, especially
when he is a half-block away.

The portable chairs were less
comfortable than the hand-made
benches at a Georgia barbecue.
They were jammed close enough
together to make room for fellow-
ship but not for elbows.

Now, let there be everlasting
praise for the presidential address
of Dr. Robert G. Lee. He pleaded
for Convention unity, for follow-
ing in the steps of those who
through the years had accomplish-
ed so much, and definitely did a
masterful job in sounding a key-
note for the Convention.

Illinois Baptists did everything
within their power to make the
Convention a success. They work-
ed hard and long. Messengers
came away deeply appreciative of
them for true Southern hospital-
ity in a Northern city.

Editor B. J. Murrie set a new
high in arrangements for the
press. There were typewriters at
the hotel and at the auditorium.

Press coverage was poor, which
was to be expected. The best way
to get a headline in a Chicago
paper is to commit a murder or
have the grand jury investigate
the police department. Or, if you
prefer the Tribune an attack on
President Truman is a guarantee
of an eight-column spread.

Press coverage was limited to
a digest of resolutions and such
actions and a paragraph or two
from a speech.—Christian Index,
Georgia

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Selected Editorial

Editor.

Each week we will publish what we
consider one of the best editorials
coming to our attention.—

God's Tenth

And all the tithe of the land,
whether of the seed of the land or of
the fruit of the tree, is the Lord's:
it is holy unto the Lord.

—Leviticus 27:30

The Rev. Park T. Rushford was not
pleased with his new charge, the Wal-
dron Baptist Church, even though it
was set in the midst of some of the
best farm land in Indiana's fertile
Shelby county, about 35 miles south-
east of Indianapolis. The building was
old and dilapidated when Rushford
moved there in 1945, and the congre-
gation was slipping away. The \$15,-
000 that had been raised for a new
building was nowhere near enough.

Young Pastor Rushford put his hope
in the old practice of tithing. He be-
gan by setting his farmer congrega-
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Our Readers Write

Dear Dr. Goodrich:

I wish to express my sincere appreciation to you for giving front page consideration to the article about the Vacation Bible School Institute recently held for the Negroes in Philadelphia.

Such consideration causes me to be even more aware of your efficient work as Editor of the Record. I appreciate your business and journalistic ability as well as your personal friendship.

Ivor L. Clark

Comment: It was a good story and deserved the front page.

Dear Editor:

I am an ardent reader of your paper not because I'm a Baptist but to see what things you write about my church, the Catholic Church. I had never paid much attention to your paper until a few years ago when you had an article in it called "Shadows over Our Schools" in which you stated that Catholics were trying to indoctrinate their faith in our schools. A Baptist friend of mine at a Junior College here in Mississippi who had just returned from New Mexico where all this was supposed to have

Selected Editorial

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tion an example. Out of his own salary of \$2,000 a year, he returned \$200 to the church. "We are what we are because God created us," he said, "and for our love for the Lord, tithing should only be the minimum of what you do."

Farmer Ralph Waldo Moore pondered these words for the best part of two years. Then one day he walked into the Waldron State Bank and handed over to Cashier Virgil Roberts a check for \$580. "This is for the church, Virgil," he said. "I want to start tithing."

The ball had been set rolling. Farm prices were riding high, and other farmers began to tithe. This week Pastor Rushford preached his first sermon in a bright new church, complete with a modern kitchen, social room, children's department, and a 60-ft. spire. The church cost \$100,000; of this, \$60,000 is already in the bank, and the remaining \$40,000 is scheduled to be paid off within five years.

The building of the new church has been a shot in the arm for the congregation: the past year has shown a 100 per cent increase in attendance of young adults, and church attendance has increased 25 per cent. Besides their tithes and contributions, Shelby county farmers cooperatively grew \$1,100 worth of soybeans for the church last year on a 42-acre plot of rented land.

Looking out over his 323 acres of prosperous farm land last week, 54-year-old Ralph Moore tried to explain how he felt about tithing. "I studied it out and figured I couldn't do anything more important . . . I began to realize that the church is our only hope. I got to thinking that if all the nations had a little more Christianity, we might be able to avoid World War III. I got to thinking that if all members tithed, there wouldn't be any more financial difficulties in our churches. Then our churches would become strong, and a strong church would be our future. I got to thinking that if we didn't have a future, what a terrible thing it would be.

"So I decided that I should give a tenth of my earnings."—From "Time" and published by permission.

FOUR MISSISSIPPIANS GRADUATE AT SOUTHWESTERN



WATSON

WILSON

MURPHREE

MURPHREE

Shown above are four Mississippians who recently graduated at the Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas.

There were ninety students in the summer commencement at Southwestern Seminary in Fort Worth in July, when 98 diplomas and degrees were awarded. The class included four Mississippi students:

Truxton Garvice Murphree of Calhoun City, and his wife, Mrs. Dorothy Russell Murphree of Pittsboro, each received the B.R.E. degree. They will be students at Mississippi College in September.

Clarence H. Watson of Yazoo City received the D.R.E. degree. He has accepted the position of Minister of Education at Calvary Church in Birmingham.

Margaret Wilson of Starkville received the M.R.E. degree. Although her plans are indefinite, she will perhaps work on her B.S.M. at Southwestern in the fall.

taken place brought the article to my attention. We both had a good laugh because anyone who is broadminded and intelligent knows that it is not the Catholics but the Protestants, particularly you Baptists that have control of the public schools.

I am a graduate myself of public schools in a predominate Catholic city, Biloxi, and never was there a Catholic prayer said. The only time a priest was ever allowed to say anything was at graduation and then only to give the Invocation or the Benediction. At college here in Mississippi I never once heard of a Catholic priest giving a Baccalaureate. In many cities here in Mississippi and elsewhere in the South, public school graduations are held entirely under the auspices of Protestant denominations. Protestant Bibles and prayers are constantly used in public schools and yet you have the nerve to say Catholics are indoctrinating and you shout for separation of church and state.

The only thing I can see in your printing such falsities is that you are afraid Catholics might say something about your control of public schools. Our founder Jesus Christ said we would be persecuted. Thanks for keeping his word true.

If your paper is to be Christian and have a Christian mode to it, print the truth; don't make up assumptions or charges that you wish were true. You'll do yourself and your readers more good by being truthful in doing God's work.

Sincerely,

Jack L. Gilley

Comment: The writer refers to the Dixon case in New Mexico. Evidently Mr. Gilley knows more about the matter than the judge who presided over the case. The judge rendered a decision in which he agreed with the complaint against the Catholic's.

The fellowship of Mississippi Baptists and those great pastors was a real joy to us. We shall miss it much. It is our prayer that Mississippi Baptists shall go on to greater heights for the Lord under the leadership of Dr. Quarles and with the fine support of the Baptist Record.

May God continue to bless you and make you blessing.

Sincerely yours,
C. J. Smyly

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DON EASLEY AND CHERRY NELL Alston were united in marriage at the East Baptist Church, of which they are members, Sunday afternoon Aug. 13, 4:00 o'clock, by their pastor Rev. Homer W. Roberson. Don is a ministerial student and plans to enter Clarke Memorial College this fall.

THE ABINGTON-COKESBURY PRESS

of Nashville, Tennessee, has recently brought out a new edition of "The Private Devotions of Lancelot Andrewes". They are translated from the Greek by John Henry Newman. One reviewer has said "the personal prayers of Lancelot Andrewes belong to the timeless literature of Christianity." The present edition has been exactly reproduced from a rare edition issued in 1897. Lancelot Andrewes' "Private Devotions" have brought strength and comfort to thousands for over three centuries. They still bring beauty and vitality to all who would enrich their devotional lives. Lancelot Andrewes was a prominent Christian in his time (1555-1626). Bishop Andrews served as statesman and churchman during the reign of Queen Elizabeth and James I. The price of the book is \$1.25 and orders should be sent to the publishers or to the Baptist Book Store.

GOD'S WAY IS A BOOK OF SERMONS by Rev. George P. White, pointing to God's way in the church, in the individual, and in the home. Published by the Economy Printing Company, Union South Carolina, the book may be ordered from the author at Jonesville, S. C. Dr. White was formerly pastor at Hazlehurst.

ACCORDING TO THE PROPOSED 1961 budget of the Arkansas Baptist Convention, the Arkansas Baptist will receive \$7,000 from convention funds.

ALL THE CHURCHES IN THE BOLIVAR county association have had Vacation Bible Schools this year except one and plans are underway to have a school in that church.

REV. CHARLES TYLER DID THE preaching in the revival at Meltonia Church, Bolivar County. Associational missionary, Charles Everett assisted in carrying on the Vacation Bible School at the same time. There were twenty-one additions during the revival with eighteen for baptism.

REV. CLAUDE HOWE WAS THE evangelist during the revival at Sunnyside Church in Bolivar County. A Vacation Bible School was conducted at the same time. There were six additions during the week, two of whom were for baptism.

"THOSE OF US WHO FOLLOW Christ know that he does hear and answer prayer. In response to our prayer when we first wanted him, he came into our hearts. In many moments of crisis since that time we have felt his presence when we prayed. In the midst of anxiety, perplexity, and doubt we have had the way before us to become clear when we prayed."—J. E. Lambdin, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

Conservative Baptists To Open First Seminary

DENVER—(RNS)—The first theological seminary for Conservative Baptists groups will be opened here in September.

It will be known as the Conservative Baptist Theological Seminary, and will operate on the graduate level only, offering Bachelor of Divinity and Doctor of Theology degrees.

Dr. Hale V. Davis, former president of Oklahoma Baptist University, has been named acting president of the seminary which will serve churches affiliated with the Conservative Baptist movement.

Although the new school is the first to be organized since the crystallization of the Conservative Baptist movement, most Conservative Baptists also count Western Baptist Seminary in Portland, Ore., as one of their schools. The Denver institution, however, will be the first strictly graduate seminary serving the movement.

(Editor's Note: Conservative Baptists are a group who disagree with the modernism of the Northern Baptists.)

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"THIS IS THE TIME TO ORGANIZE a Training Union in every church. We are in a rising spiritual tide. Our people see the need of training in Christian life and service. There is an increasing appreciation of the place and value of the Training Union."—Jerome O. Williams, The Sunday School Builder.

REV. CHARLES EVERETT, ASSOCIATIONAL missionary in Bolivar County assisted Pastor F. L. Warren in a Vacation Bible School at Centerfield Church. This was the first school in these churches in several years.

MISS ELIZBETH PICKERING, EDUCATIONAL director of the First Church Biloxi, reports that the value of the 2,706 volume library is now \$3,615.

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50, 40 & 25 Years Ago

By REV. J. L. BOYD, SR.

40 Years Ago

Pastor W. S. Allen writes of a very fine meeting with the D'Lo Baptist Church in which Rev. W. E. Farr of Belzoni did the preaching, resulting in 13 additions, ten for baptism. And the church voted to move up to half time.

25 Years Ago

Thirty-four were added to the membership of the New Hebron Church during their recent meeting in which Pastor B. E. Phillips was assisted by Rev. R. W. Beckett.

The revival of the Coffeville Baptist Church resulted in two additions. Pastor R. L. Breland was assisted by his son, Rev. Clyde Breland of Williamsburg, Ky.

Rev. W. E. Farr reports 40 additions to the Church at Union in which he assisted Pastor G. O. Parker.

The Main Street Baptist Church revival, Hattiesburg, closed with 22 accessions. Pastor J. E. Wills had as helper Rev. J. W. Mayfield of McComb.

Pastor J. L. Boyd of Magee reports "a genuine revival" in the Magee Church resulting in 51 additions, 29 for baptism. Rev. H. L. Martin of Indianola did the preaching and Prof. E. O. Sellers of Baptist Bible Institute, New Orleans, lead the singing. The building committee was instructed by the church to employ an architect and perfect plans for their new house of worship.

Truman Considering "Regular Minister" To Vatican Instead of Personal Representative

By Louie D. Newton

Time Magazine, issue August 11, page 10, under The Presidency, press conference, makes following statement:

"Would the President appoint a successor to Myron C. Taylor as his personal envoy to the pope?"

"No," said the President, and then off-handedly gave the newsmen a break—a regular minister to the Vatican, for the first time since a Protestant-minded Congress had stopped appropriations for one in 1867, was being considered.

"A regular minister?" asked a reporter incredulously. Baptist Harry Truman said yes benignly, grinned, and looked around for the next thrust."

I wired the President, asking if he was correctly quoted, but have not yet received reply.

Our Only Recourse

Our only recourse now is with the Senate. The President cannot, under the Constitution, appoint a regular minister to the Vatican without the consent and approval of the Senate.

I HAVE WRITTEN OUR GEORGIA SENATORS, ASKING THEM TO OPPOSE SUCH APPOINTMENTS. WILL YOU STAND UP AND BE COUNTED IN THIS LAST STAND FOR SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE BY WRITING YOUR SENATORS IMMEDIATELY?

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PRAYER BRINGS TO US THE URGE from God to go after the lost for Christ —J. E. Lambdin, *The Baptist Training Union Magazine*.

Mt. Olive Revival Adds 50

Mount Olive Church in Carroll County enrolled 124 pupils in the Vacation Bible School recently. The mission offering, which totalled \$9.19, was designated for the Baptist Orphanage.

Following the Bible School the church held one of the best revivals in its history. There were 50 additions, 46 on profession of faith, and 160 rededications. The revival was preceded by two weeks of cottage prayer services, in preparation for the meeting.

Rev. M. K. Lee, pastor, of Shady Grove Church in George County, did the preaching. Dr. Morrell Lee is the pastor.

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Senter Is Youth Week Pastor At Steen's Creek

The Steen's Creek Church, Florence, observed Youth Week August 7-13, using the theme "Making Christ My Master." The young people were in charge of the Wednesday night prayer service, the Sunday School and church services Sunday.

In the morning service Mises Stella Broadus, Reta May and Mary Peeples spoke on "Making Christ My Master In My Home, College, Social Life."

The evening service was in charge of the youth week pastor, Dick Senter, who spoke on the subject, "Choose Ye This Day Whom Ye Will Serve."

The ROAD TO VICTORY



Difficulties Easily Met With Christ

"Christ is All and in All to Troubled People." So spoke Dr. Forrest C. Feezor on the nation-wide broadcast of the Baptist Hour on August 13.

"How do men meet trouble? What do they do when trouble comes?" he asked. Then he replied, "Some, to rid themselves of trouble turn to travel only to have trouble follow them. Trouble does not respect geography or climate."

"Others, to rid themselves of trouble, turn to drink. They would drown their trouble. But the tragedy is they drown themselves. They only multiply their troubles."

He declared, "Christ either gives us grace to bear our sorrows and troubles, or He completely lifts them . . . Do you have a thorn—some annoying, biting trouble? You do not have to bear it in your own strength. Christ is your all and in all."

OIL CITY AND ANDING JOIN IN BIBLE SCHOOL

The Oil City and Anding Churches held a joint Vacation Bible School July 31-August 4 with 100 enrolled.

Miss Geraldine Ellis served as principal, and Miss Evelyn Tucker, as pianist.

At the close of the school two pupils professed Christ as Saviour. The offering was given to the Baptist Orphanage.

Rev. Henry M. Rayford is pastor of Oil City Church and Rev. John Vandercook is pastor of Anding Church.

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Atlanta Churchmen Ask Prayer Period

ATLANTA, Ga.—(RNS)—Atlanta ministers and laymen of different denominations are uniting in a call to President Truman for a special prayer in this time of international crisis.

Individual telegrams and letters are being sent to Mr. Truman. The East Point Baptist Church membership in a suburb of Atlanta initiated the idea.

Messages ask the President to set a 15-minute, all-network broadcast conducted by a Protestant minister, a Jewish rabbi, and a Roman Catholic priest. Ministers and laymen say they hope the drive will culminate in a nation-wide appeal for divine guidance in the Korean war.

Among the ministers participating in the campaign are Dean Raimundo de Ovies, Episcopalian; Dr. Robert Burns, Disciples of Christ; Dr. Louie D. Newton, Baptist; Dr. Charles Allen, Methodist; Dr. Pierce Harris, Baptist, and Rabbi David Marx.

Mississippi Woman's College

OPENING SEPTEMBER 11, 1950

Present indications promise 60% increase in enrollment. The outlook is more optimistic than anytime in fifteen years.

FEATURES

1. New faculty members.
2. Campus improvements.
3. Added equipment and facilities.

A few rooms still available.

For information write

DR. I. E. ROUSE, Hattiesburg, Mississippi

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND TRAINING UNION ATTENDANCE

August 13, 1950		
Zion Hill (Copolah County)	83	85
Jackson, Van Winkle	378	211
Jackson, Northside	459	141
Jackson, Southside	257	108
Jackson, First	1179	402
First Broadmoor Chapel	60	36
Jackson, Davis Memorial	464	264
Jackson, Calvary	1153	258
Ridgeland	50	40
Hattiesburg, Main Street	812	219
Laurel, Second Avenue	400	131
Laurel, First	535	135
West Laurel	464	126
Wheeler	83	46
Bethlehem (Scott County)	130	92
Union Chapel (Chickasaw County)	54	53
Bogue Chitto (Pike County)	99	157
Long Creek (Lauderdale County)	87	67
South McComb	238	74
South McComb Mission	60	41
Friendship (Lincoln County)	84	83
Jackson, Daniel Memorial	295	140
Durant	294	125
Calvary (Amite County)	103	96
Pascagoula, First	639	232
Eastlawn Mission	81	51
McArthur Mission	32	50
Unity Mission	51	50
Jackson Avenue Mission	31	54
East Fork (Amite County)	145	204
Brookhaven, First	742	204
Hamilton Street Chapel	106	66
Central Chapel	117	70
Fair River (Lincoln County)	139	79
Grenada, First	530	95
Paynes	189	89
Bruce	300	91
Florence, Steen's Creek	154	76
East Moss Point	182	79
Clarksdale	530	110
Louisville, First	428	92
Evergreen (Winston County)	79	132
Rocky Creek (George County)	300	166
Shady Grove (George County)	139	79
Mantee	116	105
Lucedate	319	62
Mt. Zion (Lincoln County)	97	185
Gulfport, First	629	174
Union (Pearl River County)	188	61
Union (Pike County)	65	41
Houlka (Chickasaw County)	101	173
Kosciusko, First	533	110
Paul Truitt Memorial (Rankin County)	179	78
Oral (Lamar County)	116	76
Glenfield (Union County)	81	83
Brookhaven, Pearlhaven	171	118
Bethlehem (Jones County)	140	69
Meridian, First	626	192
Meridian, Highland	465	38
Meridian, 41st Avenue	264	57
Meridian, Oakland Heights	143	79
August 6, 1950		
Antioch (Neshoba County)	95	85
East Moss Point	212	85
Wheeler	97	113
Union (Alcorn County)	77	144
Union (Pearl River County)	144	104

Antioch Church Has Revival

Antioch Church in Rankin County held its annual revival July 23-28. Rev. Fred Williams, pastor of Glade Church near Laurel did the preaching. Rev. Paul McDonald is the pastor.

There were two professions of faith, and nine surrendered their lives for special service. They were: Misses Emelou aPitrick, Joanne Patrick, Ruth Burgess, Geneva Huff, Inez Neal, Barbara Swor, and Mr. Kethen Walters, of Antioch; Bobbie Jeane Craine of JoHns; Miss Sybil Moore, of Daniel Memorial Church, Jackson. There were 22 dedications, including four deacons.



How We Did It!

By C. LAMAR ALEXANDER
Director of Music and Education
First Church
Pascagoula

Someone asked me how we were able to make such a marvelous record in one year. "There is no excellence without great labor." Our pastor has preached the gospel as found in the Book. We have realize dthat men are lost without Christ and have sought to win them. Evangelism and enlistment have been our major interests. We took a city-wide religious census, nad followed up with a systematic plan of visitation.

With the vision of our pastor, Dr. Charles L. McKay and our Missions committee, we have organized three new missions giving us a total of four.

Through the faithful efforts of our Building committee, the church now owns a beautiful new educational annex which has helped to provide new departments and classes in our Sunday School and to enlarge our Training Union.

From April, 1949 to June 1, 1950 there were 462 additions to the church, 229 by baptism. The Sunday School enrolment grew from 782 to 1370, with seven new departments organized. The number of classes almost doubled, growing from 50 to 99. The Training Union grew from 200 in 10 departments to 435 in 15 departments.

Eastlawn Mission Sunday School grew from 70 to 110, and three new missions were organized: McArthur Mission with 92 enrolled; Unity, 84; Jackson Avenue, 55.

Contributions per Sunday increased from approximately \$390 per Sunday to \$885. The church has employed an interpreter for the deaf, and two full-time mission pastors.

Thirty-eight voices have been added to the original 18 in the choir, and three new choirs have been organized: Intermediate, Junior, Melody Choir and one rhythm band, making a total of 236 in the music department.

Macon Church Has Youth Week Aug. 6

The week of August 6 was observed as Youth Week in the First Church, Macon. During the week all places of leadership in every department of the church were filled by the young people of the church. Glen Merrill served as Youth Week Pastor; Edward Hale Harris, Sunday School Superintendent and Chairman of deacons; Fred Nabors, B. T. U. Director; Margie Martin, W. M. U. President and Joe Ogletree Chairman of Ushers.

Jimmie Goodwin led in the mid-week prayer meeting. Larry Clark directed the singing. All classes were taught and all unions were led by the young folks, and they also had charge of the radio programs for the week over WMBC. Rev. R. D. Pearson is the pastor.

BROTHERHOOD DEPARTMENT

W. R. ROBERTS, Secretary

EDWINA MAY, Office Secretary

HOW TO HELP GET ASSOCIATIONAL BROTHERHOODS PROPERLY ORGANIZED

Suggestions to District Brotherhood Presidents:

Get to the annual meeting of the Association in the fall, if possible, and have personal word with the Moderator. Usually the moderator appoints a Nominating Committee to recommend all association officers, and the Associational Brotherhood President should be on the list.

The District President (missionary or someone else) should get to such Nominating Committee, (at least the chairman) and discuss one or more men who have been active and shown interest in Brotherhood work, and who show leadership abilities, having also some time to devote to it.

In the event the Associational Brotherhood in a previous meeting has chosen officers for the new year, the Nominating committee should and probably will suggest the president's name for approval by the association.

District Brotherhood president may help in securing good associational officers by writing an article in the BAPTIST RECORD around Sept. 1, appealing to associations and moderators to give the Brotherhood work a place on the program. It will be well in such article to mention the importance of associational Brotherhood work, outline the names and numbers officers needed, suggest quarterly meetings for all pastors and laymen in the association, and especially should the district president commend any associations for the good Brotherhood work they have been doing in 1950.

Brotherhood leaders should work with the Missionary or Executive Committee of the association and urge holding of associational Brotherhood meetings as soon after the annual fall meeting as possible, to set up the complete organization of officers and Advisory Committee of three pastors. (Please see that their names and addresses are reported to the Jackson office when they are elected.) In the organization meeting all new associational officers elected should be called up front and introduced, giving each a chance to say something.

NOTE: Church Brotherhood presidents who have done a good job in the office are excellent prospects for associational Brotherhood officers.

PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE! When a man has been selected for an associational job tell him about it before he is elected—and give him the chance to say "NO," if he isn't going to try to do anything about it.

MEN'S RALLIES—One of the finest ways to arouse and to increase the interest of men in the denominational program is in an associational men's rally. If your association has not had such a meeting recently, why not plan one for the near future. Have a fish fry, Bar-B-Q, or picnic, and invite a good speaker to challenge the men.

LAYMAN'S DAY—Layman's Day will be observed throughout the Southern Convention on Sunday October 8. It is not too early to begin

making plans to observe this special day. The whole purpose is to increase the interest and activities of men in the church program. Make it a worth-while occasion in your church.

REMEMBER—The State Brotherhood Secretary is ready and anxious to help you in any way possible in enlisting and utilizing men in the cause of Christ.

MEN NEED TO STUDY THEIR BROTHERHOOD LITERATURE

A Great Need Eminent
As I go into the many churches with organized Brotherhoods and those contemplating organizing Brotherhoods, I find an eminent need amongst our men: the need of greater and more detailed study of our Brotherhood materials and literature. It is definitely a fallacious idea that if you are keeping up with the general church program in your study that you are doing all that is needed to be done toward keeping abreast of Brotherhood methods and materials.

Brotherhood members need to study intensely the Brotherhood literature, written and adapted especially for men and their relationship to the church program.

If your Brotherhood has not adopted a definite program of study and of weekly program activity, I hope this article will be an inspiration to do so.

—BR—



We took sweet counsel together, and walked unto the house of God in company (Psalm 55:14).

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Lyon To Observe Lester Memorial Day Establishes Ed. Fund

The Lyon Church plans to make improvements in the Sunday School rooms of the church basement which are now occupied by the primary and junior departments. The church is consulting with the Department of Architecture of the Sunday School Board. The recommendation, made by the deacons, was presented to the church by Guy Hurt.

The Sunday preceding Memorial Day in the spring has been set aside by the church as Dean Lester Memorial Day. A fund, originally established by the T. E. L. Class but now managed by the church, has been set up in honor of young Lester, who was killed in action in World War II. Money given in this Memorial Day will be added to the fund, which will be used to help in the education of any young man or woman of the church who desires to devote his or her life to religious work.

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OKLAHOMA CITY —(RNS)— A continuous, 24-hour prayer vigil for world peace and justice is being kept at Protestant churches here under the auspices of the Oklahoma City Council of Churches. Prayer groups from 35 churches are co-operating in maintaining the vigil. The Corpus Christi R. C. church is keeping a similar prayer vigil.

1950 Associational Meetings

Association time will soon be here. Below is printed a list of the associations with their meeting places and dates. If any errors are noted corrections will be gladly made. The information below is taken from the minutes and other sources.

DATE	ASSOCIATION	PLACE
Sept. 5 (Tuesday)	Lafayette	Anchor Church
Sept. 5 (Tuesday)	Grenada	Bethel Church
Sept. 5 (Tuesday)	Benton	Country Church
Sept. 6 (Wednesday)	Monroe	Athens
Sept. 6 (Wednesday)	Tippah	Peoples
Sept. 7 (Thursday)	Lee	East Tupelo
Sept. 7 (Thursday)	Marshall	Pleasant Grove (Red Banks)
Sept. 7 & 8 (Thursday)	Chickasaw	Union Chapel (Thursday)
(and Friday)		Shiloh (Friday)
Sept. 13 & 14 (Wednesday)	Calhoun	Big Creek (Wednesday)
(and Thursday)		Calvary (Thursday) Bruce
Sept. 14 & 15 (Thursday)	Panola	Batesville (Thursday)
(and Friday)		Sardis (Friday)
Sept. 19 & 20 (Tuesday Eve.)	Jasper	Heidelberg
(and Wednesday)		
Sept. 20 (Wednesday)	Zion	Eupora
Sept. 21 (Thursday)		Alva Church
Sept. 20 & 21 (Wednesday	Carroll	Valden (Wednesday Night)
Night and Thursday)		Mt. Olive (Thursday)
Sept. 21 & 22 (Wednesday)	Alcorn	Kemp's Chapel
(and Thursday)		
Sept. 29 (Friday)	Liberty	Antioch
Sept. 28 & 30 & Oct. 1	New Choctaw	Hope
(Thursday, Saturday,		
and Sunday)		
Sept. 29 & 30 (Friday)	Oktibbeha	Mt. Olive
(and Saturday)	Choctaw	Concord
Oct. 2 & 3 (Monday Night)		
(and Tuesday)		
Oct. 3 (Tuesday)	Lawrence	Monticello
Oct. 3 (Tuesday)	Newton	Newton
Oct. 3 & 4 (Tuesday)	Tishomingo	New Prospect
(and Wednesday)		
Oct. 4 (Wednesday)	Holmes	Mt. Vernon
Oct. 4 & 5 (Wednesday)	Neshoba	Philadelphia First
(and Thursday)		
Oct. 4 & 5 (Wednesday)	Prentiss	Baldwyn First
(and Thursday)		
Oct. 5 (Thursday)	Winston	
Oct. 5 (Thursday)	Tate	Mt. Manna
Oct. 5 (Thursday)	Sunflower	Inverness F
Oct. 6 (Friday 9:30 a. m.)	Pearl River	Spring Hill
Oct. 5 & 6	Itawamba	Trinity
Oct. 5 & 6 (Thursday 7:00	Perry	Rundelstown
p. m. and Friday 9:00		
a. m.)		
Oct. 5 & 6 (Thursday)	George	Agricola
(and Friday)		
Oct. 5 & 6 (Thursday)	Mississippi	Zion Hill (Thursday)
(and Friday)		Galilee (Friday)
Oct. 5 & 6 (Thursday)	Oktibbeha County	Wake Forrest (Thursday)
(and Friday)		Self Creek (Friday)
Oct. 6 (Friday)	Leake	Carthage
Oct. 6 (Friday)	Clarke	Elam Church
Oct. 6 (Friday)	Kemper	Bay Springs
Oct. 9 & 10 (Monday)	Deer Creek	Leland
(and Tuesday)		
Oct. 9 & 10 (Monday Night)	Bolivar	Cleveland
(and Tuesday)		Shelby
Oct. 9 & 10 (Monday Night)	Jackson	Wade Church
(and Tuesday)		
Oct. 10 (Tuesday)	Lebanon	Providence
Oct. 10 (Tuesday)	Waltham	Dinan
Oct. 10 (Tuesday)	Clay	West End
Oct. 11 (Wednesday)	Smith	Leaf River
Oct. 10 & 11 (Tuesday)	Union County	Ingomar
(and Wednesday)		
Oct. 12 (Thursday)	Warren	Wayside
Oct. 12 (Thursday)	Attala	Edgefield
Oct. 12 (Thursday)	DeSoto	Oak Grove
Oct. 12 (Thursday, 9:30 a. m.)	Marion	Foxworth
Oct. 12 (Thursday)	Riverside	Tunica
Oct. 12 & 13 (Thursday—	Lauderdale	New Hope
7:30 p. m. & Friday,		
9:00 a. m.)		
Oct. 12 & 13 (Thursday)	Pontotoc	Carey Springs (Thursday)
(and Friday)		Bellevue Chapel (Friday)
Oct. 13	Franklin	Ozlon
Oct. 13 (Friday)	Tallahatchie	Sumner
Oct. 15 (Sunday)	Covington	Willow Grove
Oct. 16 & 17 (Monday Night)	Montgomery	Winona (Monday Night)
(and Tuesday)		Scotland (Tuesday)
Oct. 16 & 17 (Monday Night)	Simpson	Poplar Springs
(and Tuesday)		
Oct. 16 & 17 (Monday Night)	Jones	Boso
(and Tuesday)		
Oct. 17 (Tuesday)	Union	Shiloh
Oct. 18 & 19 (Wednesday—	Noxubee	to be announced (Wednesday)
Night and Thursday)		Elon (Thursday)
Oct. 19 (Thursday)	Yalobusha	Bethel
Oct. 19 (Thursday)	Yazoo	Short Creek
Oct. 19 (Thursday)	Copiah	Bethel
Oct. 19 (Thursday)	Hinds	Northside

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ROBERT J. GUY

Mr. Robert J. Guy, who is Manager of Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly, is to lead the singing during the Mississippi BSU Convention at Mississippi Southern College, Hattiesburg, Oct. 27-29. Guy is doing a wonderful job as Ridgecrest Manager and is an accomplished soloist and musician. We are delighted that he can be with us again this year, this time as director of music.

QUICK QUOTES

The most dangerous members of our society are those grown-ups whose powers of influence are adult, but whose motives and responses are infantile.—H. A. Overstreet.

Leaders who are highly educated, thoroughly indoctrinated, soundly disciplined, and fully consecrated—such leaders will emerge as the true pioneers

of the Twentieth Century.—John W. Raley, President of Oklahoma Baptist University.

The future of America depends in a large measure on our college and universities. We must continue to support our denominational schools, and at the same time we must see that Christian influences are encouraged at the state institutions of learning where so many of our young people prepare themselves for life.—Harper Gattton, Supt. of Schools, Madisonville, Ky.

Education makes a people easy to lead, but difficult to drive; easy to govern, but impossible to enslave.—Gen. Omar N. Bradley.

I have been disappointed chiefly because of the low standard of morals among so many students.—Amy Imbach, British exchange teacher.

POTPOURRI

Local BSU Presidents, Student Secretaries, Faculty Advisers, College Pastors and the State BSU Council: don't forget to register for State Pre-School Retreat, Camp Garaywa, Aug. 28-30. Registration fee is \$1.00, is due in this office by Aug. 25. Others—students and friends of students—may attend for \$5.25. Pre-School Retreat is the time for fun, fellowship, and sharing as we begin our work for the new school year. Come praying that the Holy Spirit will lead us from start to finish. . . . Again, we urge you pastors and churches to have "Off-to-College Day" in your church, to send us a list of the names and addresses of your college students, to contact the pastors in the college towns to which they go.

CROOKED CREEK HAS REVIVAL; NOTES GROWTH

Crooked Creek Church in Lawrence County held its annual revival July 30-August 4. Rev. Elton Moore did the preaching.

More than 450 attended the evening worship services. Older members of the church state that it was the best revival in 50 years.

Rev. and Mrs. Parkes Marler were called to the church last November. There have been 31 additions, 20 on profession of faith. Three men have been ordained as deacons and one young man has volunteered for the ministry.

New song books, folding chairs, two pulpit chairs, and chairs for the Story Hour are among many improvements which have been made in the church.

A mid-week service has been organized. An average of 145 attend the Training Union and 120 attend Sunday School. Two Training Union Study Courses have been completed.

Oct. 19 (Thursday)	Greene	Sand Hill
Oct. 19 & 20 (Thursday Night)	Pike	Calvary
(and Friday Morning)		
Oct. 19 & 20 (Thursday Night)	Scott	Forest
(and Friday)		
Oct. 19 & 20 (Thursday)	Lincoln	Pleasant Grove
(and Friday)		
Oct. 19, 20 & 21 (Thursday)	Gulf Coast	East Side Gulfport
(Friday, and Saturday)		
(Evenings)		
Oct. 20 (Friday)	Wayne	Pleasant Grove
Oct. 20 (Friday 9:00 a. m.)	Jefferson-Davis	Hepzibah
Oct. 23 (Monday)	Rankin	Leesburg
Oct. 24 (Tuesday)	Madison	Madison Church
Oct. 25 & 26 (Wednesday)	Columbus	New Salem (Wednesday)
(and Thursday)		Northside (Thursday)

Bell Fountain To Have Revival Aug. 23

Bell Fountain Church in Jackson County will have its annual revival August 23-September 1. Rev. Marvin Lee of Lucedale will be the visiting evangelist. Rev. Cliff Lee is the pastor.

A nine-day singing school was held in July.

An average of 45 attended the Bible School, which was led by Associational Missionary Wallace Harrell and three workers from Calvary Church, Pascagoula.

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"THERE COME TO ALL OF US seasons of helplessness, aloneness, in which the interest and concern of loved ones and friends are of no avail. In my opinion such conditions are evidence of hunger for God, and I know God is eager to gratify that hunger."—John L. Hill, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPARTMENT

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MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary
MRS. CECIL H. SMITH, Office Secretary

RIDGECREST QUOTATIONS

Robert E. Naylor: We do not reach men faster unless there is a new fire kindled in our hearts. . . . Sunday night services have been sold out to the devil. . . . The best service in this world is the service of Christ. . . . We need to get on our hearts that God's work is the Major. . . . One may have much of this world, but there are some things more important that he cannot have. . . . The joys we have are to be shared. . . . It isn't hard to find out what is one-tenth of one's income; it isn't hard for Uncle Sam to find out what it all is.

W. Boyd Hunt: It is not our business to try to do what lies dimly in the distance, but to do what lies clearly at hand.

Ernest Loessner: The pastor has no stronger ally than the Sunday school. . . . It is the church agency that can make the pastor's ministry a greater success. . . . The greatest hindrance to good Sunday school work is untrained leadership. . . . Like many 49ers of many years ago, many of our Adults are seeking gold and not God. . . . If our people are ever to be reached for Christ, we must reach them.

Homer L. Grice: If God wants everybody to become a Christian, when does he want him to be saved? Surely, in their early years. . . . The overwhelming number of active Christian workers today were saved in their childhood. . . . Let's not think of our spiritual ministry to children as a secondary ministry, or as one for women only. . . . It is easy to win boys and girls to Christ.

R. H. Dilday: Approximately 75% of marriages occur between 17 and 24 years of age. . . . Young married people need a good, strong, capable, consecrated leadership NOW. . . . There are 3 divorces out of 5 marriages of non-Christians; one out of 25 marriages of nominal Christians, and one in 125 marriages of active Christians.

G. S. Dobbins: Communism cannot succeed except as it destroys Christianity. . . . The pre-mature forcing of the child's religious experience is a great danger. . . . There is no neutrality; this world is out to win the children. . . . Nobody was ever saved by the PLAN OF SALVATION. It is not to know about Christ, but to know HIM. . . . The emphasis in the Gospels is on winning adults, and especially adult men. . . . In the great revivals of history, not one began in the strategy of winning children. . . . The strategy of Jesus was to win the children through the adults and not the adults through the children.

J. N. Barnette: The Sunday school's growth, more than any one thing, will determine the number of baptisms. . . . Churches with no Sunday schools report about one baptism each per year. . . . Bible teaching in the Sunday schools will have much to do with the richness of evangelism, and also with the permanency of it. . . . It will pay rich dividends in evangelism if we use the Sunday school in reaching and teaching people. . . . Southern Baptists will make a serious mistake in the next few years if we do not do something big for the young people.

C. E. Matthews: Baptists no longer respond to a great degree to something that does not challenge them. . . . The greatest single agency in soul-

winning in a church, in all our history, is the Sunday school. . . . Prayer precedes every victory the people of God have ever won. . . . Problem No. 1 in the coming crusade is to get all the churches in wholeheartedly. . . . The churches west of the river that followed the program adopted by the Southern Baptists and state conventions had great results; but those that did not follow it did not win many.

Ramsey Pollard: If you are going to win people to Christ, you've got to get them in the Sunday school. . . . Light up the entire building every night of the crusade. . . . Have every teacher talking to some lost person each night.

MORE STANDARDS

These units have recently become standard:

Schools: New Prospect, Rev. F. L. Coker, pastor, Miss Aronelle Lofton, superintendent; Lucedale, Rev. Van H. Hardin, pastor, Mr. Tom S. Doty, superintendent; Inverness, Rev. Frank Campbell, pastor, Mr. W. A. Price, superintendent.

Classes: Dorcas, Adult, Parkway Jackson, Mrs. J. D. Williams, teacher; Junior class, Steen's Creek, Mrs. W. J. Eaves; Seven year class, Kosciusko First, Mrs. Elmer Blanton.

Departments: Nursery, Jackson First, Dept. 7, Mrs. L. R. Floyd, Jr., superintendent; Beginner, Jackson First, Dept. D, Miss Ellie Hederman; Dept. B, Mrs. W. T. Quinton; Dept. C, Mrs. C. J. Robb; Junior Dept., Steen's Creek, Mrs. Lois Compere.

We are indeed grateful to these leaders for this good work.

There are now only two months, or less, left in this Sunday school year, so if you plan to be standard this year, the time is short. Write us if you need application blanks.

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County Line Reports VBS

The Vacation Bible School at County Line Church, Rankin County was held from July 20-28 with Mrs. Noel Ponder serving as principal.

There was 85 enrolled. The Primary had a perfect attendance.

The offering was sent to the Orphans Home. Workers were: Intermediate, Mrs. Ruffie Stevens; Juniors, Mrs. Lydia Womack; Primary, Mrs. Jamsey Dennis; Beginners, Mrs. Christeen Womack; Mrs. Wilma Burke served as general secretary. Rev. J. A. Barnhill (Pastor), Noel Ponder and Tom Womack helped with the boys hand work. At the close of the school two made professions of faith.

Commencement exercises were held on Friday night with a large crowd attending, after which all enjoyed "The Good Neighbor Show".

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Shady Grove VBS Enrolls 125

The Vacation Bible School of Shady Grove Church, in George Co. was held July 31, with an enrollment of 125. The pastor, Rev. Marvin K. Lee, served as principal. An offering of \$27 was applied on the Church Building Fund.

There have been 63 additions to the church since Jan. 1; 40 of these were baptized at one service. Recently a paralyzed man and a blind man were baptized by the church.

Leads Macedonia Revival



REV. LOYD SHELTON

Macedonia Church in Lebanon Association, has just finished a revival, with Rev. Loyd Shelton, pastor of Zion Hill Church, as the evangelist. Rev. Joe H. Cothen, Jr., is the pastor. Dan Harrell Holcomb led the song service, with Miss Jewel Rounsaville as pianist. There were several professions of faith, rededications and several of the young people surrendered their lives for full time Christian service.

A Bible School has been completed with an enrollment of 83. There were 4 professions of faith. The following served as superintendents: Mrs. Joe H. Cothen, Mrs. C. O. Herchenhahn, Mrs. Lonnie Lee, Mrs. Alpha Davis. Mrs. Sam Carter had charge of the refreshments and Mrs. Dan Holcomb served as principal.

An offering of \$13.00 was designated for Cora Joyce and Ralph Davis who leave the first of September for mission work in Nigeria.

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Arlington Revival Adds 17

Arlington Church in Lincoln County had 17 additions during the recent revival, 14 of whom were for baptism. Rev. Coker, pastor of the New Prospect Church was the visiting evangelist.

The Vacation Bible School was held the week of August 7 with Mrs. Rhoda Reeves Buie serving as principal.

Rev. A. B. Weathersby is the pastor.

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CALENDAR OF PRAYER

August 21—Jr. G. A. Camp at Garaywa, Districts 1 and 6; Dr. E. C. Williams, State Sunday School Secretary.

August 22—Rev. John I. Hill, Clarke College trustee; Mrs. Hazel R. Lundstrom, Chief Switchboard operator, Baptist Hospital.

August 23—D. H. Robbins, Rankin Association Brotherhood president; Miss Faye Murphy, Calhoun WMU Associational Young People's Leader.

August 24—Paul Owen, Blue Mountain College faculty; J. B. Miskelly, Benton Association Training Union Director.

August 25—Mrs. W. B. McGuffee, Mississippi College personel, Dr. Landon Miller, Lincoln County Convention Board member.

August 26—Dr. John E. Barnes, Baptist Orphanage trustee, Mrs. Eleanor Detroy, Blue Mountain College faculty.

August 27—C. G. Bobo, Lyon, Baptist Memorial Hospital trustee.

HEAR THE BAPTIST HOUR

August 20, 1950

Speaker Dr. Forrest C. Fezox
Subject: "Is Sin Serious?"

Stations in MISSISSIPPI over which THE BAPTIST HOUR may be heard by transcription every Sunday are: WLAU, Laurel 8:30 AM; WTOK, Meridian 2:30 PM; WGMC, Gulfport; WMPS, Memphis.

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TUPELO, FIRST TO HAVE CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

The First Church, Tupelo, will celebrate its centennial on August 20.

A booklet giving the history of the church during its 100 years has been prepared. Records of the early years had been lost long ago, but in seeking information from older members of the church, the pastor, Dr. H. R. Holcomb learned that in 1917 when the cornerstone was broken open, a written history had been placed inside before the cornerstone was resealed. A brief history and a few records were found when he broke open the stone.

It stated that the contents, along with up-to-date history of the church, would be resealed in the concrete.

Prepared by Mrs. Jean Holcomb of Tupelo, the booklet shows that the first church was a small log cabin about three miles northwest of the present site of Tupelo, and at that time was included in Pontotoc County. The initial service was held on August 19, 1851, by Rev. Elijah Smith, with 14 members attending. J. O. R. Word was the first clerk.

At that time there was no Lee County and no Tupelo. The church was almost on the border of Lee and Itawamba Counties, according to the records.

A red brick church was constructed in 1899, and the present one, 1917.

The Tupelo Church was used at various times as a circuit court, Confederate hospital, school house, and Masonic Hall—all while serving the purpose of a church. All denominations worshipped in the church, for there was none other until 1869.

The log cabin was used frequently by Gen. N. B. Forrest and Gen. Braxton Bragg as a headquarters and hospital.

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CROSBY METHODISTS JOIN BAPTISTS FOR VBS

The Baptists and Methodists of Crosby joined in a Vacation Bible School July 31-August 4. A total of 96 were enrolled. Miss Geraldine Parish served as principal. Sunday School Superintendent Carl S. Wilson, Rev. T. E. Hightower, Methodist pastor, assisted in the school.

The mission offering, \$16.30, was equally divided between the Methodist and Baptist Orphanages.

Commencement exercises were held on Friday morning, and a special program was given in the Sunday School assembly.

Other workers included: Mesdames H. H. Crosby, C. S. Wilson, Dot McCurley, Pat Malloy, C. H. Lewis, Barbara Day, Nettie Foreman and Miss Carlene Huff. Several Intermediates assisted in the recreation period. Refreshments were served each day.

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FRANCES CARPENTER, ALABAMA won first place in the Sword Drill Contest for the third week at Ridgecrest. Loretta Heckman, Arkansas, won second place.

19 Churches Gave More Than \$5,000 From January To July

Nineteen Mississippi Baptist Churches paid more than \$5,000 each to all mission causes for the first six months of 1950 according to a statement released by J. E. Lane, treasurer of the Mississippi Baptist Convention.

Treasurer Lane called attention to the fact that many other churches throughout the state have given liberally. He also emphasized the fact that the number of members helps to increase the total amount of giving. The list follows:

Church	Cooperative Program	Designated	Total
Jackson, Calvary	\$25,177.21	\$1,728.85	\$26,906.06
Jackson, First	19,999.99	5,429.58	25,429.57
Columbus, First	15,280.52	5,343.41	20,623.93
Laurel, First	8,025.10	5,050.13	13,075.23
McComb, First	6,662.79	5,598.75	12,261.51
Brookhaven, First	8,841.46	2,579.64	11,421.10
Crystal Springs, First	9,014.34	2,249.50	11,263.84
Tupelo, Calvary	9,289.68	1,343.39	10,633.07
Hattiesburg, Main St.	4,445.67	4,612.50	9,058.17
Grenada, First	7,027.68	1,984.91	9,012.59
Vicksburg, First	5,000.00	4,007.83	9,007.83
Meridian, First	5,131.25	3,752.08	8,883.33
Jackson, Parkway	6,169.76	1,612.89	7,782.65
Louisville, First	3,507.00	3,114.13	6,621.13
Meridian, 15th Avenue	4,671.60	1,634.10	6,305.70
Hattiesburg, First	2,423.89	3,512.01	5,935.90
New Albany	5,204.57	596.89	5,801.46
Magee, First	3,850.00	1,645.82	5,495.82
Clinton, First	2,998.00	2,250.83	5,248.83

Lessons From a Sick Bed

By DR. HARRY H. CLARK

I broke down because of overwork. I am paralyzed so cannot talk, walk nor write. I point to the letters of the alphabet and my secretary writes what I spell. I have dictated the following to shame those who whine.

1. Learn to relax. I broke down because I worked forty years without a vacation.
2. Be cheerful. I can't walk, talk nor write. The head doctor made a speech in which he said that when he visits me he comes away with a spiritual uplift. But when he visits some patients he has a depressed feeling.
3. Always be thoughtful and considerate of others and they will be thoughtful and considerate of you. This is why folks like dogs. I find the more I do for my nurses the more they do for me.
4. Be active in church work.
5. Be loving to the one you wed and your family. They will stand by you when others fall you. My wife is wonderful and my kinfolks have been loving.
6. Carry health insurance and save money against the time of need. The honey bees live in winter but grasshoppers perish. I have been blessed with a thrifty wife.
7. Be prayerful.

Czech Gov't. Now Operates Theological Schools

LONDON—(RNS)—The selection and instruction of all candidates for the ministry has been taken over by Czechoslovakia's Communist government, it was officially announced in Prague.

Roman Catholic and Protestant seminaries have been abolished as independent institutions and replaced by State-controlled theological schools.

Catholic theological training will be concentrated in two government-controlled seminaries at Prague and Bratislava.

Two Protestant seminaries will be operated in Prague under government auspices.

Zdenek Fierlinger, head of the State Church office, will control the operation of the seminaries and will decide who is to be admitted to the new schools.



Ruhama Has Revival, VBS; Organizes BTU

ABRAMS LEADS PROGRAM

The Revival Meeting of the Ruhama Church in Noxubee Association was held the week of July 30-Aug. 4. Rev. Joe Abrams of Shuqualak was the visiting evangelist. Rev. W. I. Allen of Louisville is the pastor. The congregations were large and the interest throughout was excellent. There were two additions.

The week preceding the revival a Vacation Bible School and a Training Union study course were held. The Bible School was held in the afternoon and the study course at night. The study course resulted in the organization of a Training Union in the church.

DR. WALKER ADDRESSES M. A. AT MISS. COLLEGE

Dr. Franklin T. Walker, head of the English Department at Mississippi College, was the guest speaker at the final meeting during the summer session of the Mississippi College Ministerial Association. His subject was "In The Hands of the Enemy."

Dr. Walker pointed out what the enemy can do to the captive and what the enemy cannot do to the captive, using Luke's account of John the Baptist in prison as the basis for his message.

The speaker's own son, age 19, is in the Marines.

THE INTERSTATE CHURCH, BOLIVAR County, held its Vacation Bible School the week of July 23, with more than 100 enrolled. Rev. Earl George helped Rev. C. C. Carraway in a revival in this church. Pastor Carraway reported a good revival with several additions.

REEDY LEADS REVIVAL AT GEORGETOWN CHURCH

Rev. J. R. Reedy of Trinity Church, Texas, and formerly pastor at Eupora, did the preaching in a revival at Georgetown August 6-13. J. A. Ashley was in charge of the music. Miss Frances Lea Farr of Vicksburg directed the Junior Choir.

Both morning and evening services were held. There were seven additions, four on profession of faith, and one re-dedication.

Rev. R. W. Porter is the pastor.

FRANKLIN CHURCH PLANS REVIVAL AUGUST 20-25

Rev. B. H. Benton, pastor of the Mt. Zion Church in Simpson County, will do the preaching in a revival at Franklin Church in Madison County August 20-25. R. H. Peden will be in charge of the music. The pastor is Rev. R. G. Wooten.

Various prayer groups will meet each evening 30 minutes prior to the regular worship service.

All-day services are planned for the first Sunday of the revival, and dinner will be served on the church grounds.

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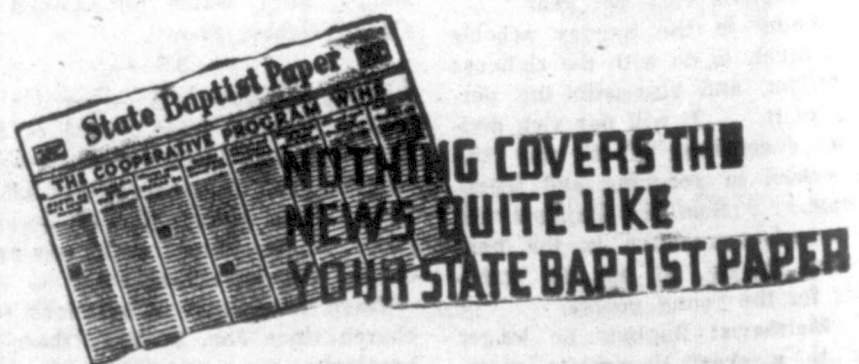


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Chaplains Needed

The enlargement of our Armed Forces creates an immediate, urgent need for additional chaplains. Southern Baptists are requested to procure 127, thirty-seven from Reserves to active duty and ninety new applicants for the Reserves under the following criteria:

ARMY

Recall, 18 Reserves to active duty. Chaplains in Active or Inactive Reserves and National Guard Chaplains not held in current status are eligible in grade of 1st Lieutenant or Captain. Qualified applicants may choose one, two, or three-year category. 1st Lt. completing category by age of 41 and Capt. by age of 45.

Procure 40 new applicants in Reserve who have not reached their 33rd birthday. These will be commissioned with rank of 1st Lt.

NAVY

Recall 11 Reserves to active duty who have not reach 40th birthday and below the grade of Commander.

Procure 20 applicants for Reserves who have not reached 34th birthday. These will be commissioned with grade of Lt. (jg). (Applicants for Regular Navy must not have reached 35th birthday) Proportionately, Southern Baptists' most urgent need is Chaplains for the Navy.

AIR FORCE

Recall 8 Reserves to active duty who have not reached 42nd birthday with Reserve rank of 1st Lt. or Capt; these for three-year category.

Procure, 30 applicants for Reserves who have not reached 33rd birthday. These will be commissioned with rank of 1st Lt.

New applicants in all branches may apply for Reserves and active duty at the same time.

REQUIREMENTS

All branches of service require applicant to be ordained and following the ministry as his chief vocation. One hundred and twenty accredited hours of college and ninety accredited hours of seminary are required.

For new applicants with rank 1st Lt., the base salary, plus allowances for quarters and subsistence, is approximately \$4,400.00 per year.

For military application, contact nearest recruit station of branch desired and write Chaplains Commission, 161 Spring St., N. W., Atlanta 3, Georgia, concerning denominational endorsement.

When appointed by the military, approximately 30 days are allowed between time of commission and orders for duty. Applicant should state date of availability.

The Chaplains Commission of the Southern Baptist Convention desires well-qualified applicants for this highly specialized type of missionary endeavor.

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Roe Wilson Leads Beulah Revival

Rev. Roe Wilson did the preaching in a revival at Beulah Church, Brownsville, July 30-August 4. Bobbie Trotter, Hinds Junior College student and a member of the church, was in charge of the music. Rev. G. O. Winstead is the pastor.

Both morning and evening services were held. Preceding the evening services 30-minute group prayer services were held.



Shown above are a group of employees in the electrical section of the Ford Motor Company's engineering department in Dearborn, Michigan. They have formed a Bible reading luncheon group which meets once a week in the department's conference room.

Starting with only two men last February, the group now includes ten men and four women employees. Founders of the group are John Bartholomew and Lawrence Ward.

"We take turns reading the Bible during our half-hour luncheon period from 12 to 12:30 p.m. each Thursday," Mr. Bartholomew explained. "We feel that during these days when our Christian way of life is threatened by communism, these weekly meetings serve as an inspiration to us to live Christian lives at work as well as away from the job."

Missionaries Denied Army P. O. Service

NEW YORK—(RNS)—Use by missionaries in Japan, and their friends abroad, of the Army post office service has been withdrawn by occupation authorities.

The Army directive cancelling the privilege which has been in effect since 1947 said that "military exigencies" in the Far East Command made it necessary to cut down on all non-military activities.

The order is effective September 1, Dr. Bovenkirk said. As a result he advised all friends of missionaries to refrain from sending letters or packages to Japan after August 15 through the Army post office service. He said that any mail reaching Japan after September 1 will be returned.

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A Lost Weekend?

"The Sabbath was made for man and not man for the Sabbath." So spake the Founder of Christianity nineteen hundred years ago. You have often heard it said, "I just don't feel right if I don't go to church on Sunday." Yes, a successful Sunday always includes attendance at church.

"Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy" as God's will for man dates back to the time of Moses—thirty-four hundred years ago. The change from Saturday to "the Lord's Day" (John 1:10) under the Lord's approval does not lessen the value of proper observance. The day wisely spent always includes rest and worship. Worship without rest might become burdensome. Rest without worship becomes monotonous and selfish.

Altering the day from Saturday (Jewish Sabbath) to "the first day of the week" (our Sunday) was divine, as is evidenced by the first meetings of the risen Christ with his disciples on that day (John 20:19; Luke 24:1, 13:33, 36) and the regular meetings

Wambolt On Religion

Wickes Wambolt, who writes a column for the Birmingham Age-Herald, is a son of a Baptist minister. The editor of this paper has his permission to reprint anything he writes. In a recent column he said the following on the subject of "Religion," which we pass on:

A man asked a woman if she would give him 25 cents "to get some breakfast."

"Do you belong to a church?" the woman asked. The man said he didn't. "Do you attend any church?" The man said he didn't.

"Have you any religious faith?" asked the woman.

The man said he hadn't. "That's what's the matter with you," said the woman.

In the large majority of cases, the persons who are down and out are not Christians. They are not living the Christian life. They are not serving Christian purposes. There are exceptions of course, but that is the rule.

A man in charge of one of the missions in New York City said that so far as he knew, no worthy Christian had ever come to that mission for assistance for himself. And the man quoted, "I have never seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread."

Evangeline Booth, great Salvation Army leader, said that she had found that the best way to get people out of the slums was to get Christ into their hearts; then they would clean up

of the early, Spirit-guided churches (Acts 20:7; I Cor. 16:2) likewise on the first day. New wine would burst old wine skins, said Christ, adding, "The Son of Man is Lord also of the Sabbath" (Mark 2:28). He alone had authority to change it. The name "Sunday" is unimportant and of secular origin. It is how we observe "the Lord's Day" that gives it meaning.

The week-end without God is "the lost week-end." Enjoy yourself on Sundays by finding the way regularly to God's house for worship.

This Man Favors Education?

(Editor's Note: The following letter was addressed to the editor of the Alabama Baptists. It was called to our attention when reproduced in the bulletin of the First Church, Brookhaven. We have reproduced it as it was written by the Author.)

I have been in the work and trying to carry the Gospel 45 years. I am a deep died misheary Baptist allwise stood by the church

And there is sumthing that I cannot understand is why is it that men hafta go to the Bible symunary and colladge to get fit to carry the Gospel when our forefathers caired the gospel and founded the churches and never seen inside a college

I have had the privilege of Preachen in a church that had establishe 106 yearse the old Freedaniel church a Baptist in Randolph Co—Ala

I am fearful that we hav sum that aire going to get a caul in the collage in the ministry and that isnt gods plan the Bible tell ours that Hoom he calls he also gallafise In the Bible he tells ours if iney man ligeth wisdom ask of god Hoo giveth Libuarley to evrey man and upbrdeth not

Aire we going to let god caul or the college, caul I thank the Lord that we hav the educated to preach to the educated and those ho Hav a limited educatin to preach to the common peopple we must stop to think that the lord seen best to caul those that onley had a limited education Paul sed that the letter killeth But the Spirit maketh alive I hope that you will not take me wrong I am just as much in favor of education as iney man But Let ours put god first

Jessus sed go ye into the world teaching them to obsurve allthings whatsoever I have told you and I am with you always to the ind of the world.

Your friend and Brother in the Lord

REV. J. A. STANFORD
Rt. 1 Box 96A
Deatsville, Ala

You may Publish this in the Alabama paper if you see fit I would be Glad for all of your Brothering to read this

—Alabama Baptist

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THE VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL enrolled 110 at Antioch Church in Neshoba County. This is five more than the church membership. Mrs. W. L. McKinnon served as principal. Rev. Truly Reynolds is now in his 16th year as pastor.

themselves and their homes, and get work.

P. S. A banker told the editor this story: He said a man went to a bank to borrow some money. The banker told him that he could not get the money. Then the man went out and got three substantial men to underwrite the amount he wanted to borrow and went back to the banker and said, "See, here, these men will go my security." The banker still said he couldn't get the money. "Well," said the man, "you will not lend me the money and you won't lend on my security. What else do I need?" The banker said, "You need to be born again."

Sparks & Splinters

ON A RECENT WEDNESDAY NIGHT there were more than one hundred people in attendance at the midweek prayer service of the Southside Church, Jackson. Rev. S. W. Valentine is the pastor.

FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY-July, 1950 Mississippi has given through the Cooperative Program \$201,103, as compared with \$174,153 for the same period in 1949. Designated gifts have totaled \$90,967, as compared with \$145,097 for the same period last year. The comparison was made in a report from the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention.

THOMASVILLE, GA.—(RNS)—THE first Primitive Baptist College in the United States will be established here, probably next Spring, the college executive committee of the denomination announced here. A building and site for the college, with more than 48 acres of land, including a main dwelling, work shop, and out-buildings, have been acquired. In full use, the college is expected to accommodate 75 to 100 students. (Editor's Note: Primitive Baptists are sometimes called Hardshell Baptists.)

SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—(RNS)—FOR the first time, a special religious program was held here on Sunday, Aug. 13, as a feature of the Illinois State Fair. The program was arranged through the efforts of the evangelism committee of the Springfield Council of Churches.

THERE WERE 23 ADDITIONS, 17 BY baptism, in the revival at Bunker Hill Church in Marion County July 30-August 6. Rev. H. B. Speights, pastor, did the preaching. G. H. Allen and Charles Barker, Jr. were in charge of the music. There have been 62 additions since the coming of Pastor Speights in March. A building program has been launched.

ACCORDING TO THE REPORT OF Dr. Duke K. McCall, Executive Secretary of the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention, during the month of July Mississippi gave a total of \$40,258 of which \$38,575 was for the Co-operative Program and \$1,683 was designated.

WILLIAM P. PHILLIPS, Sunday School Department; R. L. Middleton, head of the Accounting Department; and Jerry E. Lambdin, secretary of the Training Union Department, all complete 25 years with the Baptist Sunday School Board this month.

DR. ARTHUR B. WHITING, Philadelphia, has been called as pastor of the first Baptist Church, New York City, to succeed Dr. William L. Pettingill.

ST. LOUIS—(RNS)—TWO GROUPS of cloistered nuns here were able to vote for the first time when polls were set up on their convent grounds. The cloistered nuns were 40 Sisters of Visitation, who conduct the Visitation Academy, and 15 from the Academy of Sacred Heart. They voted on the adoption of a new city charter. (Editors Note: Why not set up special polls for Mississippi College or any of our other groups? Why the special consideration?)

CHRIST THE GREAT UNKNOWN by Her Royal Highness—Princess Wilhelmina of the Netherlands is a paper covered booklet of thirty-two pages embodying a sincere, heartfelt message on religion and world affairs. She feels very deeply concerning the matters discussed in her booklet and every true Christian will be benefited by reading it. The price is twenty-five cents and copies may be ordered from the publishers, William B. Erdman Publishing Company Grand Rapids, Michigan or from the Baptist Book Store.

PINE HILL CHURCH IN CLARKE County will have its annual revival August 21-27. Rev. Doyle Caples, pastor of the Ebenezer Church in Jeff Davis County, will be the visiting evangelist. Dinner will be served on the grounds on the closing day of the meeting. Rev. Paul Kirke is the pastor.

CONCORD CHURCH IN FRANKLIN County will begin its annual revival with Homecoming Day on August 27. The pastor, Rev. Reese Kyzar, will preach at the morning hour and Rev. Elton Barlow, a former pastor will speak in the afternoon. Special music has been arranged. An offering will be taken for the cemetery.

THE NEXT RANKIN ASSOCIATIONAL BTU Rally is to meet with the Cato church on September 7th. The attendance goal is 271. Previous 1950 meetings have drawn 729 persons. Slogan for the final meeting of the Associational year is: "1,000 Attending Training Union Rallies in 1950." Rev. L. W. Stanger is the Assoc. BTU Director.

REV. R. G. WOOTEN, OF CLINTON, supplied the pulpit for Dr. Mark Harris at Speedway Church, Memphis, on July 30. Speedway is Mr. Wooten's home church.

REV. BRADY HENRY, OF FORT Worth, Texas, and a native of Yazoo County, did the preaching in a revival at Liverpool church recently. There were nine addition, seven by baptism, and two by letter. Rev. Robert I. Martin is the pastor.

BOWLING GREEN CHURCH IN Holmes County had 19 additions, ten on profession of faith, during the revival July 23-29. Rev. Curtis Ellis, pastor, did the preaching.

JAMES F. KANE HAS BEEN NAMED full-time executive secretary of the U. S. Catholic Press Association.

A NEW HISTORY OF AMERICAN Baptists has been written by Dr. Robert Torbet, Eastern Baptist Theological Seminary, Philadelphia.

PRINCIPLES OF BIBLICAL INTERPRETATION (\$2.50) by Louis Berkhof is a new text which discusses the History of Hermeneutical Principles, The Proper Conception of the Bible, Grammatical Interpretation, Historical Interpretation and Theological Interpretation. The author is President Emeritus of the Calvin Seminary in Grand Rapids. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the Baker Book House, Grand Rapids, Michigan.

A VBS WAS HELD AT WAXHAW Church in Bolivar County July 31-August 4. Rev. Charles Everitt, Bolivar Association Missionary, served as principal, assisted by Miss Bettye Winerette and Jimmy Breland. There were 67 enrolled. The mission offering was for the Co-operative Program. Rev. F. L. Warren is the pastor.

DR. O. P. MOORE, DIRECTOR OF Public Relations at Clarke Memorial College, held a Revival Meeting with Rev. J. J. Hedgpeth, Pastor and his people at Lebanon Church in Covington Association August 6-11. Mr. Hedgpeth has the loyal support of his people and is leading them in a kingdom building program. There were six additions to the church-four for baptism, one by statement, one by transfer of letter, and one fine young girl surrendered to the call to go to the Foreign Mission Field.

WASHINGTON, D. C.—AMERICA'S expenditure on alcoholic beverages exceeds its total expenditure for education by \$1,975,621,000, according to a report released here by the board of temperance of The Methodist Church. The total expenditure for all education in 1949 was listed by the board as \$6,574,379,000. During this same period, the total estimated expenditure for alcoholic beverages was \$8,550,000,000, according to Department of Commerce statistics cited by the board.

COMES TO BLUE MOUNTAIN



SYBIL B. TOWNSEND

Blue Mountain, August 14—Mrs. Sybil Brame Townsend has accepted a position at Blue Mountain College as Alumnae Secretary and Assistant Dean of Students.

When Mrs. Townsend was a Blue Mountain undergraduate, she won the three highest distinctions conferred by faculty and students. She was elected as President of the Student Government Association and May Queen, and was the recipient of the Nettie Courtney Paris Award.

After receiving her degree she assisted in the Department of English and for a time was Acting Student Secretary.

From Blue Mountain she went to Nashville as Associate Southwide Student Secretary, and was also Associate Editor of the Baptist Student Magazine. She is the author of a book published by the Sunday School Board, namely: "Bible Study" in the "My Covenant" series.

In 1936 she was married to Rev. Carl Townsend who was at that time pastor of Hayes-Barton Church in Raleigh, North Carolina.

After the death of her husband in 1947 she returned to her native home, Yazoo City, where, with her three children, she lived with her parents, and taught in the Yazoo City High School during this period. She is at present Director of Religious Activities for the Staff at Southern Baptist Assembly, Ridgecrest, North Carolina.

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DR. CHARLES L. MCKAY, PASTOR of First Church of Pascagoula, must be a busy man on Wednesday nights. At seven-fifteen he teaches a book of the Bible. He is now teaching the Ten Commandments. On a recent Wednesday night there were one hundred and ninety in attendance. After prayer meeting there is a meeting for the teachers and officers. While they meet Dr. McKay teaches the other folks who are not teachers and officers a book. Currently he is teaching "Outlines of Bible History".

IN RETURNING FROM THE Baptist World Alliance, Dr. and Mrs. Ira Eavenson stopped by the Bible Conference at Winona Lake, Indiana for a week. The new pastorium at Marks is nearing completion, erected at a cost of \$23,300. Dr. Eavenson is in his third year as pastor of the Marks Church.

A BROTHERHOOD HAS BEEN ORGANIZED at the Linwood church, Nesoba County, following an informal program presented by the Spring Creek Brotherhood, led by Spring Creek pastor, Rev. Iron Clark. The following officers have been elected: A. E. Cliburn, Sr., president; M. L. Rhodes, vice-president; B. V. Walton, Sr., secretary-treasurer; Watson Bethany, mission chairman; A. A. Young, Social chairman.

THE ROMAN CATHOLICS HAVE received six-sevenths of the forty-three million dollars thus far allocated by our government under the Hill-Burton act as aid to hospitals. Then some folks wonder why Baptists can't make their hospitals as good as the Catholics do! The answer is that we don't run our hand deep into the government pocket. The government has far more money in many of the Catholic hospitals than the Catholics have, yet the hospitals continue to wear the name Catholic. North Carolina Baptists recently turned down a \$700,000 government grant to the hospital in Winston-Salem. The principle: separation of church and state. Dr. W. Landon Miller.

FRIENDS OF REV. MELVIN T. WILSON of East Fork, Amite County, will be glad to know that he was able to preach on Sunday, 13 August for the first time since his accident on April 1st. He wishes to express his appreciation to the Christian people who prayed so faithfully for his recovery, and the brethren who supplied the pulpit during his absence and convalescence.

PROVIDENCE CHURCH, BOLIVAR County, had its Vacation Bible School July 30-August 6, with an enrolment of more than 100. This was the first vacation Bible School for several years.

PEARLHAVEN CHURCH WILL HAVE have its revival August 20-25, with Rev. W. L. Meadows of Quitman, as visiting evangelist and Carrie Smith, of Meadville, directing the singing. Rev. Paul Z. Ball, pastor of Pearlhaven Church, welcomes everybody to come.

AMONG RECENT VISITORS TO THE Baptist Record Office were: Rev. Robert H. Foy, Clinton; Billy C. King, Jackson; Dr. Joe T. Odle, Joe Thomas Odle, Gulfport; Miss Lexie Muse, Meridian; Mrs. J. R. Hayden, Jackson; Rev. Leonard Holloway, Clinton; Rev. Howard H. Aultman, Holly Springs; Rev. R. W. Porter, Georgetown; Rev. Paul McDonald, Puckett; Charles E. Bingham, Jackson; Rev. Mack Bomer, Jimmie Bomer, Vicksburg; Danny Gore, John K. Henry, Peggy Adams, Glendia Gail Taylor, Martha Jean Nicholson, Evelyn Savell, Ella Ruth Nicholson, Lavern Walters, Wendell Gilmore, Kay Henry, Billy Gore, Mrs. J. S. Henry, Shirley Gomillion, Wynette Gainey, Mrs. Troy Gainey, Rev. and Mrs. John E. Gore, Alliane Chisolm, Union; Edward Byrd, Bettie Clair McGee, Jimmy Posner, Janice Black, Shirley DeWees, Mary Elizabeth Hall, Carolyn, Patterson, Ann McCloud, Barbara Clarke, Betty Bentz, Clinton Bowers, Mary Virginia Quarrels Helen Mahaffy, Gwen Steinhouser, Juanita Rowland, Patricia Clarke, Priscilla Greenland, Glenda Lewis, Linda Barrett, Kay Holberg, Muriel Clarke, Charles Mikel, Miss Grace Weeks, Mrs. E. L. Clark, Mrs. A. E. Posner, Mr. W. E. Clark, Jackson; Patricia Grammer, Greenwood; David Montgomery, Richmond, Va.

REV. PERCY MAGEE, PASTOR, DID the preaching in a revival at West Point recently and led in a two-week Vacation Bible School. During his few months in the West Pastorate, he has led in the organization of a W. M. U. and the following officers have been elected: Mrs. W. G. Brock, president; Mrs. William Brock, vice-president; Mrs. Ben Weaver, corresponding secretary; Mrs. W. T. Hand, secretary-treasurer.

A RURAL CHURCH NEAR JACKSON wants to buy a bell. Interested parties may write the editor of the Baptist Record who will pass the information on.

THE BAPTIST RECORD HAS RECEIVED a copy of the annual of the Hawaii Baptist Convention, which held its 1949 meeting in Honolulu.

THE 46TH SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST World Conference closed with a special \$325,000 special offering for world missions.

-- Woman's Missionary Union --

President—Mrs. Wilma B. Sledge, Jackson; Exec. Sec'y.—Miss Edwina Robinson
Young People's Sec'y.—Miss Nell Taylor

COMMUNITY MISSION CHAIRMEN will find this a splendid "Check-up" on what your society is doing. The "Community Missions Guide" has the answers—your leadership will determine the efforts made.

GOING THROUGH THE CLINIC
TO BECOME HEALTHY AND WEALTHY IN COMMUNITY MISSIONS
(Prepared by Mrs. Geo. E. Davis, State Chairman of Community Missions, S. Carolina)

I. TELLING THE DOCTOR SYMPTOMS:

- (Ask yourself) How missionary am I?
- Do my acts and personality speak for Christ?
- Have I won souls for Christ?
- What is my MAIN BUSINESS in W. M. S.?
- Do I suffer from benevolence or just plain "cash"?
- Do I have enough company?
- Can everybody get well?
- Does working only for "points" help one?
- What causes "overweight" and "high blood pressure"?
- DO I PRAY ENOUGH? HOW PRAY?
- How do the MORAL STANDARDS EFFECT ME?
- OTHER QUESTIONS?

II. ANY BROKEN BONES:

- The whole or partly impaired frame: Members and Chairmen
- Associational Organization
- Local Organization
- Circle Organization
- Young Peoples' Counselors
- Community Missions Council in City or Association
- Strengthening the Frame:
- Reports—Circle or Group to Chairman of W. M. S.
- Local Chairman to Associational Chairman
- Associational Chairman to State Chairman
- Individual Work
- Planned and assigned work
- What broken bones in a society keeps them on crutches longest?
- Can a broken bone located between the W. M. S. roll and the local Church membership roll of women be mended and made useful?

III. LEARNING WHAT IS WRONG:

- Is the best X-RAY a SURVEY? What is it and its need?
- Does the X-Ray show greater need in city, town, or rural Community?
- Can we cure all the ills at once?
- What three corrections should be made first?
- Who is most important in a SURVEY?
- What is the difference between a survey and a program?
- What is meant by "Follow Through" with the sick, aged, poor, needy, institutional work, general visitation, etc., etc.

IV. MEDICINE FOR THE NEEDS:

- The consecration of each member with increased prayer time
- Individual and class study of best books on Soul Winning
- Learn what evangelism and community missions are.
- Learn what are the needs in contacting:
- Jews and Foreigners, Jail, Prison and Chain gang work
- Delinquents in and returning from State Training Schools
- Delinquents on Parole Courts
- The Deaf, the Mutes and Blind
- Cottage Prayer Meetings, work among Negroes
- Alcohol education, Adults education
- Mission and Vacation Bible Schools for both races
- Day Nurseries, Community centers for both races
- Results of any Survey

V. GETTING WELL:

- Does every member do Community Missions? If not, WHY NOT?
- What should be the relationship between outside agencies and COMMUNITY MISSIONS?
- Doing REAL INTERRACIAL WORK? In the Home, the Negro School, the Negro Church and Sunday School, for a better community.
- What is the rosy, healthy color of Christian Fellowship?
- NOW what is wrong with us that we cannot get well or are we asking "WHY GET WELL, I am satisfied?"
- ARE YOU SATISFIED? DO you want to build a healthy structure for future generations in Christ's Name and for His Sake?

The FIVE HEADINGS for this clinic are basic to the five chapters of the Guide for Community Missions.

POEMS OF JESUS CHRIST (\$2.00)
have been written and compiled by Rev. Franklin Hoyt Miller. Since Christ himself so often spoke in poetic and symbolic languages, the author thinks that poetry is particularly well adapted to the retelling of Biblical stories and episodes. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher, Exposition Press, 251 Fourth Avenue, New York.

LEON R. MEADOWS HAS COMPILED a 64-page book of poems which is entitled "MOSES AND OTHER BIBLICAL POEMS." Written in free verse, the titles are "Moses," "Ruth," "David," "Judas, Scariot," and "Paul." Order from the Exposition Press, 251 Fourth Avenue, New York, or from the Baptist Book Store, Price, \$2.



Members of the Royal Ambassadors of Boule Street Church, Hattiesburg, are pictured at a recent recognition program held at the church. Left to right there are: First row, Donald Butler Edwin McInnis, Lee H. McKee, Earl Martin, Billy Joe Ward. Second row, Bruce Butler, Toney Herring, Jerry Melue, Tommy Beard and Butch Rouse. Third row, J. B. Blackledge, Mrs. O. C. Belue, counselor, and Roy Raddin, assistant pastor.

Tutwiler Breaks Ground for \$30,000 Bldg.

Ground-breaking ceremonies were held by the Tutwiler Church at the close of the worship service on August 6, with J. J. Everett turning the first spade of dirt. Mr. and Mrs. Everett were the donors of the new site for the church, as well as having contributed the largest single amount toward its construction, \$5,000.

Special music was furnished by the choir and a short devotional was led by Pastor J. B. Ray. Lewis Kellum, chairman of the deacons, also addressed the group.

The new edifice will cost approximately \$30,000 and its completion is planned for February 1.

The Building Committee is composed of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Knight, Mrs. Buren Box, Mrs. N. R. Weatherall and the deacons.

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Dr. Ray Appoints Social Service Commissions

It was called to the attention of the Executive Committee of Mississippi Baptist Convention Board at its last meeting that the Social Service Commission of the State Convention had not been appointed. Dr. J. D. Ray, President of the Convention Board, was asked to appoint such a committee which will prepare and present a report to the Convention. Dr. Ray announces these appointments:

- Rev. G. O. Parker, Carthage
- Rev. Wayne Alliston, Florence
- Dr. John Landrum, Canton
- Rev. C. C. Weaver, DeKalb
- Rev. J. M. Metts, Winona

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Slayden Revival Adds 24

According to the church reporter, Boyd Watkins, the Slayden Church held its annual revival the second week in August. Rev. Jack Cranford of Collierville, Tennessee and formerly of Waynesboro, was the visiting evangelist.

Large congregations attended both the morning and evening services. There were 24 professions of faith and 20 rededications.

Rev. H. E. Keen is the pastor.

Land Reports On Meetings

By DR. B. C. LAND

I have just returned from five weeks in Georgia, Tennessee, North Carolina, and Alabama.

I spoke twice daily in the Pre-millennial Bible conferences in Atlanta, and Chattanooga on "The Must of Tithing." These conferences were under the direction of Dr. Fred Garland, of Roanoke, Virginia.

While in Chattanooga it was my privilege to see Dr. Lee Roberson at Highland Park Church. It has an enrollment of 6,700, and an annual budget of about \$160,000.

It was my privilege to preach three times to the Highland Park congregation, twice on Sunday evening, and again Wednesday evening. The auditorium, which seats 2,500, was packed to the doors Sunday evening.

I had been told that I might expect around 1,500 people for the prayer meeting, but when I stood up to preach, I looked into the faces of approximately 1,600 people—just the regular Wednesday night congregation. There were 41 added to the church and its missions the Sunday I was there. This church baptizes three times every week—twice on Sunday, and Wednesday evening.

Upon invitation of Rev. and Mrs. Ewell Payne, missionaries to the Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, North Carolina, I spent a few days preaching stewardship and tithing to the Indians.

Baptists have fifteen churches on the Reservation, with a membership of 1,600. They greatly need a modern bus.

I conducted stewardship revivals in the Orchard Knob Church, Atlanta, and the Whatley (Ala.) Church.

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION

Associates: W. C. Morgan, Louise Hill, Alene Johnson
Auber J. Wilds, State Secretary — Box 530, Jackson 105, Mississippi

Beacon Laurel Plans Enlargement Campaign

Next week the Beacon church in Laurel will conduct an enlargement campaign. It will be the pleasure of the State Training Union Department to furnish three workers for this campaign. Rev. Tom Renfro is the pastor and wants this to be "Not only an Enlargement Campaign, but a Training Union Revival" and that is just what we like to help do in a church. Plans are well under way for a good week. General officers and adults will study Building a Church Training Program, The Young people will study, Baptist Young People's Administration, and there will be a class for the leaders in the Junior and Intermediate Leader's Manual. Classes for Juniors and Intermediates will be provided and plans for the Story Hour Children will be made, thus making it possible for all parents to attend the class work each night.

Calhoun Co. Will Have Leadership School

The week of September 24-29 has been set aside for an associational wide Leadership School. This school will be held at Bruce with the leaders, and all others who will attend, from all the churches coming in every night. All Baptists are classified as leaders and so a Leadership School should include all. Many are in places of leadership now, many others are developing leadership qualities and will soon be placed in these important places of leadership. It will be the pleasure of the State Training Union Department to co-operate in this school. Mrs. E. E. Barton is the Associational Director and is working hard to make this the best school of its kind ever to be held in the state. The churches will cooperate with her in this as they do in other plans she promotes.

"D" Days Are Up Again!

Eleven associations yet to have their "D" Day program are, Grenada, Zion, Clay, Montgomery, Holmes, Smith, Rankin, Scott, Union, Warren, Hinds. These are scheduled to be held as follows: Grenada, Sunday afternoon September 24th; Zion, Saturday night September 30; Clay, Sunday afternoon October 1st; Montgomery, Monday night Oct. 2; Holmes, Tuesday night October 3; Smith, Thursday night Oct. 5; Rankin, Friday night Oct. 6; Scott, Saturday night, Oct. 7; Hinds, Sunday afternoon Oct. 8; Union, Monday night, Oct. 9; Warren, Tuesday night, Oct. 10. This will give us another 100% victory, having had a program of practical demonstration in Training Union methods in each of our 72 associations.

Sidon Plans Training Union Revival

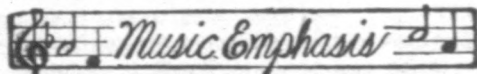
The first week in September will be a Red Letter "Week" in Sidon. Miss Emily Mitchell, Training Union Director is making big plans for a Training Union Revival and enlargement program. Miss Louise Hill will be there from the State Training Union Department and will help in making this an outstanding week in the life of the Sidon church.

Other enlargement campaigns coming up in which the State Training Union

will have the pleasure of working are: Taylorsville the wee kof Oct. 15th., Eupora, the week of Oct. 15th., Riverside Association, October 22nd and week following, First Gulfport, the week of Oct. 29th. Several of our workers will help in an Associational Enlargement Campaign in Mobile Association the week of November 5th. Then comes the State Baptist Convention No. 14-16 and Friday November 17th is our Annual training meeting of all associational officers! to be held First Church Jackson, Morning and afternoon.

Question: What are the requirements concerning Study Courses?

Answer: There are a few changes in the requirements that have gone into effect since the books you are studying were printed. Until the new plans are thoroughly understood we are accepting for credit study course on the old plan. The plans, or requirements as they now are. Each one taking a study course and receiving credit MUST read the book. When a regular study course is held where seven and a half hours of class work are offered, every one having a perfect attendance record upon these classes is exempt from examination provided he or she has been an interested student and co-operating in classplans. Any who cannot attend every classperiod, but who does attend four and a half hours of the offered seven and a half hours can take a class examination of ten question the teacher will give. HOME study and any person not able to qualify on a regular study course can study the book privately, then answer all questions in back of book (with book open) and mail paper to State Tr. U. Sec.



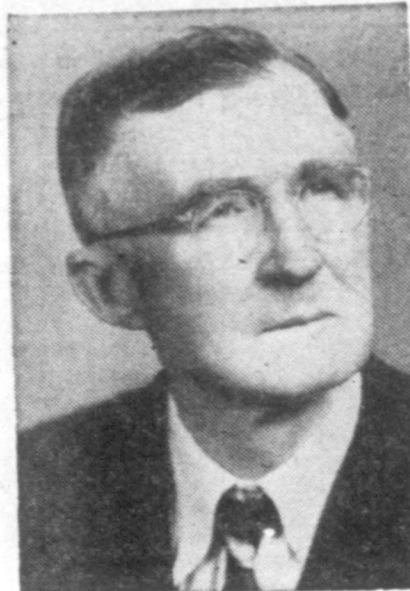
Our New Magazine—The Church Musician

A new magazine called "The Church Musician" will be off the press with the first issue this month. This new magazine will be published and edited by the Music Department of The Sunday School Board. The magazine will be a monthly periodical, and will contain many interesting articles will appear on all grams of the various states. Contributions will be made about the work in music from our state section of music. interesting items about the music phases of music from our leading musicians throughout the Southern Baptist Convention. One of the most practical items that will appear in the Church Musician will be several pages of music especially prepared for use by church choirs presenting special music.

Sample copies of the Church Musical will be available at the Baptist Building, Jackson, Miss. within the next few days. If you desire a sample copy, please address your request on a post card to W. C. Morgan, Box 530, Jackson, Mississippi, and a sample copy will be mailed to you.

Many churches will desire to place enough money in the church budget to supply copies to all of the choir members. Many individuals will desire to subscribe for the Church Musician for personal use. You will direct your subscription to the Music Department of the Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tennessee.

Emphasizes Baptist Youth Program



DR. W. A. SULLIVAN

Our Southern Baptist Youth program in our churches is the safest, sanest, and most scriptural Youth Program in the world. Experience and observation convince me that independent and interdenominational youth movements distract and hinder our Baptist Youth work in our churches.

If Southern Baptist are right in their position as to organic union with other ecclesiastical groups, the tendency of these interdenominational youth movements is unbaptistic, subversive, and dangerous. If the present generation of youth in the various church groups of this country were to become enlisted and organized into an interdenominational youth program, it would have taken a long step toward organic union my the various church groups, and the consequent loss of our Southern Baptist identity.

Soon after the first World War we had persistent union movements growing out of union evangelistic meetings.

We Southern Baptists can promote the cause of Christ for more by steering clear of interdenominational movements of every sort, and by dedicating all our efforts, energies, time, and money to our New Testament program within the frame-work of our own denomination.

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VBS Held At Spanish Fort

Spanish Fort Church, Sharkey County enrolled 55 in Bible School July. Miss Lola Jean Weaver served as principal; Mrs. Elridge Screws Jr. as pianist. Department Supts. were: Beginners, Miss Willie Dee Pugh; Primary, Mrs. Eldridge Crews Jr.; Juniors, Mrs. Leo Kettleman; Intermediates, Mrs. Leslie Thompson.

Refreshments were served each day, and a missionary offering was sent to the Co-operative Program. Rev. Allie Bryant is the pastor.

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Polish Baptist Association Meets

DETROIT—(RNS)—Messengers from the United States and Canada met here for the 37th annual conference of the Polish Baptist Association of North America.

They authorized the publication of a history of the Church's work in Poland and in the United States. To be published both in Polish and English, it will be the first history of the Church.

CONVENTION SIDELIGHTS

Said Dr. C. O. Johnston, Baptist World Alliance President:

"I can't see why the railroads can run trains on time but we've most always behind time."

One speaker who had only five minutes on the program, when applauded said, "You are taking part of my time. Please don't applaud."

The Baptist pastors of St. Louis, both white and Negro presented a watch to Dr. Johnston, the Alliance President. The watch was diamond studded. A member of Dr. Johnston's church presented a basket of flowers. He said, "I carried these flowers in this morning but I didn't know that they were to be given to me."

One hotel man remarked that everywhere you look there was a Baptist.

Everybody at Cleveland seemed to be most cordial. Even the hotels, which usually charge for every service, were most gracious. We went into the hotel flower shop and called for a flower. After it was placed on the lapel of my coat, the clerk said, "This is on the house."

There was excellent preparation for the meeting. Dr. D. R. Sharp was the general chairman. Under him there were 800 workers and 30 committees.

The 1,000 voice choir sang "Great Was the Company of Preachers."

Said Dr. Johnston, the president, "This wouldn't be a Baptist meeting without a place for announcements and changes in the program. We now do both."

At another time Dr. Johnston said, "When I returned from Copenhagen, as President of the Baptist World Alliance, one brother asked how it felt to be the Pope of the Baptist Church. I denied that I was a Pope but I did say to him (who was a Catholic) that in his church the Pope told the people where to go. In my church the people tell me where to go."

Said one of the Baptist, "Cleveland is a good place for Baptists to meet. Lake Erie is near by."

As usual most of the addresses of welcome were everything else but. The ideas expressed were good but they were not words of welcome. They were speeches about some pet subject of the speaker.

As usual, several speakers ran over the time allotted. You recall that one man had two minutes and he took ten. One person announced that flash bulbs annoyed the speakers and therefore suggested that the speakers be "shot" before they spoke. We hope no one took this literally.

In contrast to the Chicago papers which warmed up slowly to the SBC there, the Cleveland papers have gone all out to push the meeting. Front page layouts of pictures appeared Saturday and there were several news and feature articles.

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"ONE DOES NOT HAVE TO BE

sinlessly perfect in order to pray, but recognized sin in our lives which we refuse to surrender makes it impossible for God to honor our petitions. And sometimes by refusing to answer our prayers he leads us to examine our hearts and discover that practices which we have been excusing are really separating us from him."—Walter L. Moore, The Baptist Training Union Magazine.

Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Bracey Campbell
August 20

JOHN, PREACHER OF REPENTANCE. Luke 3:7-20.

I. LOCATING JOHN IN TIME, PLACE AND SITUATION

"The fifteenth year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip being tetrarch of Iturea and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lycanias the tetrarch of Abilene, Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests the word of God came to John the son of Zacharias in the wilderness. The Herod mentioned here is the son of Herod the great, builder of the Herod's temple of our Lord's day. This Herod the Tetrarch may be taken as a perfect symbol of the barbarous society in which John the Baptist and Jesus had to do their work.

We can say this good of Herod: He built a city on the shore of the sea of Galilee and named it for his friend and the emperor Tiberius. The worst we have recorded of him is that he had John executed in the most barbarous manner and that he took his brother Philip's wife. Herod was bloody, ruthless, licentious, superstitious.

"Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests". This was one precious pair, if you don't care how you talk. Jealous, venial, tyrannical, proud, haughty, irreligious, holding stubbornly to any tradition the observance of which might serve their selfish ends, they two were just about everything that high priests ought not to be.

II. SOURCE OF JOHN'S AUTHORITY

"The word of God came unto John". John was a called preacher, a God-called preacher. So, for that matter, is every preacher who is not a pitiable parody on the noblest of callings. John, as Isaiah and Jeremiah at an earlier period, felt upon his shoulder the impelling hand of God, heard in the ear of his soul the voice of God, experienced in his heart the constraining touch and gentle, firm compulsion of the spirit of God, and John was not disobedient.

So he came out of the wilderness to his work with God's mantle of authority upon him to initiate the revolution prophesied by Isaiah centuries before: "Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth".

Dummelow's commentary gives the following spiritually interpreted meaning of this language: "The valleys would represent unbelief and all the sins of omission which must be filled up by the diligent adding of grace (II Peter 1:5-7). The mountains would mean pride and haughtiness and self-will and obstinacy, which must be humbled and cast down. The choaked places would signify all sorts of deceit and guile and hypocrisy and untruthfulness. The rough ways would picture anger, strife, envy, hatred, malice, and all uncharitableness".

III. THE HEART OF JOHN'S PREACHING, JOHN'S TEXT

"The baptism of the repentance unto the remission of sins". "Repent ye and be baptized," said Peter at Pentecost, and this was the order of John. Your thought is wrong: change it. Sinward and selfward and worldward and Godward, your thought is wrong! Change it! and that is repentance. You are traveling the wrong direction, turn round. That is another way to say, "Repent!" You are trying to quench the thirst of your soul by drinking deep of the devil's brew. You can't do that! Stop trying and take the water of life. That's repentance! You

Mid-Week Multitudes Is Highland Theme



Shown above in the Highland Church Auditorium, Meridian, is the regular mid-week prayer service group. More than 200 are pictured, despite a downpour of rain on this particular night. The deacons are seated in the first three rows. Left to right they are, first row: Frank McDonald, H. C. Anderson, Dr. Othell Hand, pastor; J. H. Flaherty, O. E. Muse, R. A. Chatham. Second row: L. S. Mayo, J. A. Rogers, S. P. Gurney, Herman D. Lide, D. O. Nicholson. Third row: Vance Collum, H. L. Lloyd, A. L. Jones, A. F. Trussell, J. E. Redd.

SPRING HILL CHURCH HAS REVIVAL, BIBLE SCHOOL

The annual revival of the Spring Hill Church in Copiah County was recently with Dr. W. L. Holcomb doing the preaching. Rev. Thomas Ashley was in charge of the music. Rev. Homer Ainsworth is the pastor.

The Vacation Bible School followed the revival July 31-August 4, with a total enrolment of 95, including a faculty of 29. Mrs. James Anding was the superintendent; Mrs. Verna Luna, principal, Miss Janice Leggett, secretary, and Mrs. Julia James pianist.

Departmental superintendents were: Mrs. Fred Harris, Mrs. Homer Ainsworth, Mrs. E. T. Jenkins, Mrs. Pete James. The evening service on Sunday August 6 was given to the Commencement program.

are bartering your life for that which is not bread. That is in vain.

God offers you the Bread of Life. Take, eat, and hunger no more. That also is repentance. John preached the necessity of repentance, an act which would invoke and secure a cleansing from God, and prepare the repentant heart for the coming of the Christ. The person who professed thus to have repented was baptized in symbol of his having been cleansed of his sin by the grace divine.

IV. JOHN'S TEST OF REPENTANCE

It was the test of what the professed repentance wrought in the professor's life. John talked with his converts before he baptized them, he examined those who came desiring baptism in order that he and they might know whether their profession was sincere. Do you bear the fruits, do you do the sorts of things that repentant people ought? "Why, for instance?" If you are a gambler, you will quit it. If you are a drunkard, you will get out of the gutter and walk like a man. Be you a thief, you will quit your stealing.

V. JOHN'S STYLE, PERSONAL

He spoke to the people. They had no doubt as to whom John meant. He was vigorous, forceful. Believed that what he said was of prime importance to those who heard. His preaching concerned the coming of another and supremely great man who was to wield the power that would change the world.

But John conceived this coming one as stern and unsparing in His judgement of the world and in His dealing with its sin. When the Just One came, He did not do as John said he would. He came as one pitying man's lost estate rather than as unsparingly condemning it. By which I do not think John was mistaken as to the what, but only as to the when. John became confused and bewildered when his Lord did not pursue John's program for Him, but that He will one day do so, there is no doubt.

The Highland Church, Meridian, promoted a prayer meeting crusade during the summer months this year and it has paid dividends. Called "Mid-Week Multitudes for the Master," attendance has been above 200, as compared with approximately 50 attending through previous summers.

Enlistment leaders volunteered to serve in the crusade and the prayer service itself was well planned, including a 45 minute period of quiet meditation, informal singing, Scriptural meditation, seasons of prayer, special music and a brief devotional.

Attendance was increased in the organizations of the church, as well as the prayer service.

Other highlights of the summer program included redecorating the auditorium and the pastor's home and equipping the church with recreational facilities. A church-wide choir program was promoted, including six choirs: Melody Choir, ages 4-8; Carol Choir, ages 9-12; Girls' Ensemble, 13-17; Youth Choir, 15-25; Men's Chorus, and an Adult Choir.

Dr. Othell Hand, who has served the church as pastor during the summer, completes his work on August 21 and will return to the University of Richmond as campus pastor and professor of Religious Education.

AN EPIC OF HUMAN DESTINY (\$2.00) is a significant study of creation and of divinity, written by Rev. John M. Stover and published by the Exposition Press, 251 Fourth Avenue, New York. The book is written in verse form, annotated with quotations from the Bible. Order from the Baptist Book Store or from the publisher.

Kosciusko Launches Building Program AUDITORIUM TO SEAT 950

Construction is now underway on the new building of the First Church, Kosciusko. The site of the new building was purchased several years ago when it was realized that a building large enough to house the growing congregation could not be built on the present lot.

When completed the auditorium will seat 950, with Sunday School facilities to care for the same number. The auditorium will be air-conditioned and will have indirect lighting. The building will have a radiant type heating system and will be constructed of steel and concrete, brick and tile.

During the 15 months that Rev. A. B. Pierce has served as pastor, \$40,000 has been added to the building fund. More than 100,000 was on hand previously. It will take approximately 15 or 18 months to complete the construction. The membership is now 1,600.

Anding Revival To Begin August 20

The Anding Church will hold its annual revival August 20-27. Rev. O. B. Robertson of Agricola will do the preaching. T. W. Linville of Yazoo City will be in charge of the music.

The revival will begin with an all-day service at the church. Dinner will be served on the church grounds. A special program of music has been arranged for the afternoon.

Rev. John Vandercook is the Anding pastor.

Florence Pastor Has Second Anniversary

Rev. L. C. Hoff observed his second anniversary at Steens Creek Church, Florence, on August 6. Much work has been done in departmentizing the Sunday School with a large increase in enrolment and attendance. The Training Union has increased in interest and attendance.

A new modern church building, valued at \$6,000, has been built and paid for.

At the services Sunday morning the church showed their appreciation of Mr. Hoff's service by giving him a cash offering.

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Begin your college year with your best foot forward by attending your BSU FALL RETREAT September 8-10 at Lake Shelby State Park. Our State Student Secretary, Charles Horner and our State BSU Pastor Advisor, Dr. Charles Treadway, local Pastors, and many other featured speakers will be there. Total cost for meals, cottage accommodations, transportation, recreational facilities—boating, swimming and fishing—all this is ONE BSU WEEK-END REGAINED for \$5.00. Send \$1.00 registration fee to Riley Munday, your affectionate Student Secretary, and bring \$4.00 to pay the BSU Treasurer, Dalton Birch.

Begin your school year right by attending your BSU Retreat! Get here by Friday afternoon, September 8. Buses will leave front of Science Hall beginning at 2 p. m. Program begins after night meal. Keep two sheets, pillow and pillowcase and towels separate from your college togethery. College dorms will be open to store your personal belongings.

FIRST CALL TO YOU -- ALL SOUTHERNERS
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The Eternal Word

By HERSCHELL H. HOBBS
Oklahoma City

Several years ago an announcer on a certain radio station, introduced a series of religious broadcasts with these significant words: "We believe that the greatest need America faces in this critical hour is a return to the Bible and to the faith of our fathers. . . ." And in like vein the president of the United States said: "There is no problem facing our nation today, either economic, social, political, religious, national, or international but that it can be solved by a revival of religion in the hearts and homes of our people."

A return to a genuine faith in the Bible will produce a "revival of religion in the hearts and homes of our people." It was so in the days of Josiah (II Kings 22:23); it was so in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah (Neh. 8); it was so in the days of the Apostles (Luke 24:44-47; Acts 2); it was so in the days of the Reformation (Wycliffe, Tindale, Luther); it is true today.

We Must Believe It

The greatest need for this critical hour is a return to the fundamental principles of the Bible. Before it can lay hold on our lives, it must lay hold on our hearts. One of the few things which ever caused Jesus to wonder was the unbelief of men. "He marvelled (wondered) because of their unbelief." (Mark 6:6). And in the light of the multiplicity of evidence to confirm it, Jesus no doubt, still marvels at man's unbelief with regard to the Bible.

If one does not believe the Bible, how can he pattern his life according to its teachings? If the preacher does not believe it, how can he lead others to have faith in it? For a preacher to pose as a minister of God's Word and then deny its authenticity, is the worst type of spiritual treason!

Let us then, with open eyes, open minds, and open hearts accept the message of the Bible without shame and without apology.

We Must Proclaim It

The Bible is a book of preaching. It was intended to be preached as the "power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth." It is no secret that modern Christianity needs a rebirth of great preaching, and great preaching is impossible apart from the Bible. In the pioneer days of America the frontier preacher carried few books in his saddle bags, but one book was the Bible. Upon it he built a foundation safe and sure for a rising nation. If the nation of tomorrow is to equal that of yesterday, it, too, must be founded upon the rock of "my words" which "shall not pass away."

A friend of mine was asked recently by another preacher if he could suggest to him some good book of sermons. His reply was, "Have you tried the Bible?" Have you? Well, brother, try it! Dig deep into its treasures. Delve long into its mysteries. Feast heartily in its storehouse. Drink eagerly of its spring. And then come forth with unquestioning faith to preach it with all your soul.

We Must Teach the Bible

A study of the Bible results in a genuine renewal of interest in religion. When the Law of Moses was discovered in the temple, its message brought Josiah and his people to their knees and a great revival began. When Ezra read and explained the

Langer Bill Killed By 7-6 Vote

WASHINGTON, D. C.—(ANS)—A bill proposing to ban liquor advertising from interstate commerce was killed by the Senate Interstate and Foreign Commerce Committee. The committee, by a 7 to 6 vote, decided against reporting to the floor the measure sponsored by Sen. William Langer (R.-N. D.).

Earlier in the session, the committee had voted 6-3 against reporting the bill to the floor. Three members who were absent at that time protested that they did not get a chance to express themselves as favoring the bill.

Although the second vote definitely kills the legislation for this session, it indicated the possibility that Congress may act to curb liquor advertising if a bill somewhat less comprehensive than the Langer measure is pressed.

Bishop Wilbur E. Hammaker, executive vice-president of the Methodist Board of Temperance, has indicated that temperance leaders will call a meeting early in the fall to plan a unified strategy for the election campaign in November.

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WENDELL ARNOTE IS ENTERING the work of evangelism as an evangelistic singer. He may be written at 2906 Belmont, Nashville, Tennessee, if you are interested in having him help during your revival.

Scriptures to his people, they were quickened and another revival came. When Jesus opened the minds of the disciples concerning the Scriptures, Pentecost came. When the Bible was given to the people in Dark Ages, a resurgence of religious fervor was the result. And so it will be always. Revivals come by the work of the Holy Spirit, and the Sword of the Spirit is the Word of God.

We Must Activate the Bible

In other words we must incorporate into our daily lives the message of the Bible. It is not enough to believe, to teach, or to preach the Bible. We must live it. If we believe that souls are lost, we must seek to win them. If we believe that God is God, we must serve Him. If we believe that the principles of the Bible are true, we must live by them.

The value of your Bible is not fixed by the binding, by the type of paper on which it is printed, or by the "Helps" attached to it. There were more than 30 million copies of the Bible sold last year. But unless they are properly used, all of them put together will not be on a par value with the manuscript which in the Middle Ages was chained to a reading desk in the cathedral that men might stand in line for hours for the privilege of reading it for 15 minutes.

The Bible Is the Eternal Word

Upon it we can reconstruct our whole way of life. The Bible will deepen our spiritual life; it will lead to concern for a lost world; it will revitalize the preacher and his preaching; it will convict the lost, and it will guide us all through this vale of shadows onto the mountain top of God's presence and glory. Only thus can our present world be saved from ruin, and only thus can the world of tomorrow be so constructed that the woes of our generation shall not return to our children and our children's children.

—BAPTIST STANDARD

Christian Baptism

Whether in a mountain stream or in the artistically designed baptistry of a city church, Christian baptism is never without appeal. The unusual sight of adult people going down into water is either lofty in its significance or absurd; but before concluding anything dogmatically, note what the Bible itself has to say on the subject.

1. Jesus Christ himself was baptized at the age of 30 by John the Baptist. Jesus identified himself in baptism with the lost, sinful, humanity he had come to save. He insisted that John baptize him "for thus it becometh us to fulfill all righteousness" (Matt. 3:15).

2. The early churches continued the ordinance of baptism as the first religious act for every new convert. When Deacon Philip baptized the treasurer of Ethiopia, "they went down both into the water, both Philip and the eunuch; and he baptized him" (Act 8:38). This followed immediately upon the Ethiopian eunuch's confession, "I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God."

3. Even a cursory reading of the New Testament reveals four salient features concerning scriptural baptism.

(1) **Proper subject:** An individual who has heard and believed the gospel of Christ, thus has been born into the Kingdom of God. He is baptized because he has been saved, not in order to be saved. It is not baptism if it precedes one's conversion.

(2) **Proper mode:** Immersion. The Greek word baptizo means to dip or immerse. It is a misnomer to refer to anything other than immersion as baptism. The act when properly



performed is a burial. "We are buried, therefore, with Christ through baptism" (Rom. 6:4). Obviously, any form other than immersion destroys the picture of burial.

(3) **Proper design:** To set forth in a pictorial manner that which saves: namely, the death of Christ. Baptism itself does not save. It does, however, make a picture of the death, burial, and resurrection of Jesus Christ which alone can save.

Baptism contains no element of black magic. "The blood of Jesus Christ his Son cleanseth us from all sin" (I John 1:7). What sin could be left for baptism or anything else to cleanse us from?

(4) **Proper administrator:** The church may instruct any member to baptize, but a member who baptizes without authority from his church is presuming. The highest authority Jesus left on earth was the majority vote of a local church.

Thus Peter refused to assume the sole authority for granting baptism for Cornelius and his Gentile friends. He turned to other members of the

ANCIENT BIBLE MANUSCRIPT DISCOVERED

ALEXANDRIA—(RNS)—Egyptian and American scholars engaged in micro-filming ancient documents in St. Catherine's Monastery on Mt. Sinai have discovered what is believed to be the oldest copy of the New Testament in Greek and Syriac.

Written on gazelle's hide, the manuscript dates from the fourth century and includes a translation of the Bible in Arabic, written over the Greek text and on the margins. The manuscript is also crammed with the story of early Christian saints.

According to Dr. Wendell Philipps of Philadelphia, president of the American Foundation for the Study of Man, the manuscript is worth a million dollars. The foundation undertook the expedition on behalf of the Library of Congress which ordered the microfilming of more than 500,000 pages of ancient manuscripts in what is believed to be the world's oldest Christian monastery.

Experts here believe the discovery to be the most important in early religious literature.

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Fla. Church-Goers Get Free Bus Rides

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. —(BP)—Church-goers in this sunny southern city will get free rides on local buses for the next ninety days. All they have to do is to tell the bus operator, "I am going to church" or "I have been to church."

Wiley Moore, president of the company, made the announcement at a luncheon of company officials and more than thirty local ministers. He said, "If ever there was a time for tolerance, for understanding, for helping our fellowman, the time is now."

Moore is a resident of Atlanta, Ga., and a member of the Second Ponce de Leon Baptist Church in that city.

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"A FACT TO BE DISCOVERED from the records is that there has been a definite correlation between the gain in Sunday school enrolment and the number reported for baptism. Trace the record back for fifty years and you will discover that periods of evangelistic activity have followed periods of great growth in the Bible teaching organization of the church. A boy or girl or a man or woman who has studied the Bible is nearly always ready to hear the evangelistic appeal of the pastor."—Porter Routh, *The Sunday School Builder*.

LONDON—(RNS)—NORTH KOREAN troops have occupied the Benedictine convent at Tokwan and imprisoned the nuns after evicting them, the Vatican Radio reported.

church at Joppa whom he had brought with him to Cornelius' house and said, "Can any man forbid water that these should not be baptized. . . ." (Acts 10:47).

The baptism of one who has become the child of God by faith in Christ Jesus is one of the meaningful enhanced by the last command of enhanced by the last command of our Saviour, "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." (Matt. 28:19).